

# St Anne's RC Primary and Nursery School Audenshaw

## Young Carer Policy.

At St Anne's RC Primary and Nursery School we believe that all children and young people have the right to a quality education, regardless of their home circumstances. Therefore, we have adopted this young carer policy so that we will be able to relieve some of the worries which young carers may have about home and their school work.

Our school will:

- designate a member of staff to have special responsibility for young carers, and attend relevant training.
- make sure all the pupils in our school are aware of who is the designated person for young carers.
- look at the opportunities within the curriculum to raise awareness of the issues facing young carers e.g. through circle time, pshe, use of SEAL materials.
- be sensitive towards young carers' needs - they don't always want their peers to know.
- give information to the young person about what advice and support is available.
- ensure every young carer has a confidential information sheet in place.
- pass information on to relevant colleagues e.g. class teacher, headteacher, learning mentor, with due regard to confidentiality and child protection procedures.
- liaise with appropriate agencies e.g. our local Young Carers Project.
- look at alternatives if a young carer is unable to attend out of school activities e.g. sports coaching, concerts, due to their caring role (this will be discussed sensitively with the pupil and their parents).
- seek out opportunities for young carers to attend out of school activities and holiday clubs.

This policy has been developed in July 2006  
And will be reviewed annually as part of the Governing Body procedures.

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