



Muxton Primary School Early Help

What is Early Help?

Early Help is a way of accessing extra support when you, your child or your family needs it, at the earliest possible stage, whether that be in the early years through to Year6, rather than waiting until things get worse. You can receive support from a wide range of services and organisations that can work together to provide the right support for your family's needs.

Our Early Help offer summary

- We can connect families with other multi-agency initiatives that can support you and your family
- We can help ensure that families receive the help they require as soon as possible. This early intervention can prevent issues from escalating and causing further difficulties in the future.
- We can help create a brighter future for your child/ren and family, promoting their overall welfare.
- We can offer universal and targeted/ specialist services.
- Early Help is available at any stage of a child's life.

At Muxton Primary School we have staff who are trained in supporting families through the Early Help process. We also share a Family Support Worker with the Newport cluster of schools. If you want to know more or would like access to Early Help, please contact the school on 01952 387 007, send an email to inclusion@muxtonprimary.org.uk or speak with one of the following members of staff:

Mrs. Jenny Pritchard— Designated Safeguarding Lead

Mr Howard Auckland – Deputy Safeguarding Lead

Miss Ann Davies – Deputy Safeguarding Lead

Miss Jordan Leech – Deputy Safeguarding Lead

Mrs Heloise Rees – ELSA/Inclusion Mentor

Mrs Katie Beech – ELSA/Inclusion Mentor

Ms Ellie Delaney – Family Support Worker

Types of support available

Support	Explanation /Description
Member of the Senior Leadership Team, Inclusion Mentor/ELSA on the playground at the start and end of the school day	Parents/carers have the opportunity to speak to the Senior Leaders, Inclusion Mentor/ELSA everyday day if they have any worries, questions or concerns.
Teacher/Teaching assistant available on the classroom door each day	The teachers or teaching assistants are always available for messages or a quick question at drop off and pick up. Longer meetings are available on request
Inclusion Lunchtime Clubs	A daily intervention during lunchtimes for those children who need some additional support with either friendships, socialising or emotions. Reception & KS1 - Miss Nicola Edwards Lower KS2 - Mrs Heloise Rees Upper KS2 - Mrs Katie Beech
SEND, Inclusion and Well being Drop-in	Weekly drop-in sessions on Friday mornings from 8:30 –9:15am with our SENCo Miss Davies and our ELSA/ Inclusion Mentors Mrs Beech and Mrs Rees.
Early Help Assessment and Support Plans	An Early Help Assessment is a way of working with children and young people. It involves listening to you and your child to find out your child's needs and what is working well in your child's life and your family life.
Referral to Strengthening Families	A referral to Strengthening Families forms part of the Early Help Assessment Process to see if an allocated worker is needed to support you in the home. This is a voluntary process.
Referral to School Nursing (Healthy Child Programme)	Referrals can be made around the following concerns: physical, emotional, developmental, sleep, behaviour, feeding/weaning, accident prevention, bed wetting, diet, CSE, weight and communication.
Signposting to Beam	Beam is an emotional health and wellbeing drop-in service for young people under 25 years old who are registered with a GP in Shropshire or Telford and Wrekin. BEAM Shropshire, Telford, Wrekin The Children's Society (childrenssociety.org.uk)
Referral to Young Carers	Practical and emotional support for children who may be a Young Carer. Young carers may have to deal with a range of illnesses with the person they care for, such as disability, chronic illness, mental health difficulties or problems with drugs or alcohol misuse. YOUNG CARERS Carers Centre (telfordcarers.org.uk)
Referral to BeeU (previously CAMHS)	School or your GP can refer to BeeU if there are high-level concerns around anxiety, or for a diagnosis for Autism or ADHD.
PODS Coffee Mornings	Parents/carers of SEND children are invited to a PODS coffee morning to have the opportunity to find out about the service they provide.
Signposting and/or referral to PODS	PODS are a parent support group for parents with children with additional needs. They provide advice, someone to talk to and

(Parents Opening Doors)	hold regular workshops. Home – PODS (podstelford.org)
Signposting to Kooth	An online mental wellbeing community for children 11+ Home – Kooth
Signposting to SENDIASS	Support for Parents/Carers of children with additional needs. Telford SENDIASS SENDIASS Telford
Referral to PEGS (Parental Education Growth Support)	PEGS are an organisation specifically founded to support parents, carers and guardians who are experiencing domestic abuse at the hands of their own children. Child to parent abuse Parental Education Growth Support (PEGS) (pegssupport.co.uk)
Referral to Incredible Years	An evidence-based parenting programme in which parents learn to break negative parent-child interaction cycles.
Referral to Mental Health Support Team	School member of staff identifies child or young person (CYP) that may benefit from MHST support discuss with designated Mental Health Lead (MHL)
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Attendance Support	If you require any support with attendance, please contact our school office who will be happy to help you.
Parent workshops	A range of workshops are arranged throughout the year for parents to access.
Breakfast and After School Club	For those parents who need an early drop off in a morning, we have a school breakfast club option which starts from 7.45am through to the start of the school day. For those who need a later collection we have an after school club option with starts from 3.15pm through to 6pm.
Winter Coat and Shoes Scheme	Telford Crisis Support (TCS) Winter Coats and Shoes Project, funded by Telford & Wrekin Council provide coats and shoes over the winter months. School can make a referral for children who need these.

Early Help Assessment

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How does it work?

With agreement, either Mrs Beech or Mrs Rees will ask you some questions to find out what help and support your child might need. They will also talk to the child about their view. This information is recorded on a form.

How will the Early Help Assessment help my family?

The Early Help Assessment (EHA) exists to help you support your child. It can lead to a quick solution or help to identify extra support if needed. The EHA will ensure that everyone involved in supporting your child(ren) – such as teachers and health visitors – work together to support your child(ren). The EHA will help your child(ren) receive the right support at an early stage before their needs increase.

What happens next?

Based on the information you and your child(ren) provide all agencies who can support your child(ren) will work together to provide the support that your child(ren) and family needs. The information that you and your family provide will only be shared with the people who need to know and only with your agreement.

Strengthening Families

Sometimes a Strengthening Families worker may be appropriate to support you. A Strengthening Families worker can help you with:

- Parenting
- Employment
- Finances
- Emotional Health and wellbeing
- Acting as part of the pathway towards a BeeU referral
- Opening doors and providing access to other services that can help support the whole family

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