

Thomas Willingale School and Nursery is committed to develop provision for young carers and their families.

We are committed to provision, to meet the needs of our Young Carers. We review these provisions for young carers with a view to ultimately achieving best practice.

How we achieve this:

- The whole school is committed to meeting the needs of young carers so that they can attend and enjoy school in the same way as other pupil/students and achieve their potential.
- We have designated Young Carers School Leads with responsibility for young carers and their families. These leads are Mrs L. Ford Richards (Inclusion Manager) and Mrs M. Hinton (Family-School Co-ordinator). They can be contacted on the school phone number: 0208 508 7287.
- The school only shares information with professionals and agencies on a need to know basis in order to support pupils and their families.
- We actively seek feedback and ideas from young carers and their families to shape and improve support.
- The school has an effective referral system and strong partnership in place with relevant external agencies, including referral to Young Carer agencies providing key workers who will work with young carers and families.

We strive to achieve best practice for students and families in our school in order to provide them with the best chance of success in their future.

If you feel that your child is a Young Carer then please contact the school and ask to speak to Mrs Ford Richards or Mrs Hinton to find out what support can be offered to you and your family.