

Young Carer Checklist for Schools



A checklist to help schools ensure everything is being done to identify and support young carers

Senior Leadership Team

- Is there a Young Carers Champion within the school?
- Do you know if the census results for young carers reflect how many there are within the school (remember there are an estimated two per class)?
- Are young carers discussed as regularly as Pupil Premium and Looked After Children, as young carers are also a vulnerable group?

SENCOs and Home School Link Workers

- Did you know we take professional referrals for carers?
- If there is a sibling with neurodivergence, their sibling or parent would also be carer. *See our website for our full offer, for adults too.*

Teaching Staff and Support Staff

- Are you aware of what a young carer is?
- Do you know who to direct them to within the school?
- Do you know where to log the young carer information?

Reception Staff

- Are there leaflets or posters in the foyer about young carers?
- Is there a nearby noticeboard highlighting young carers?
- Have you done our free Carer Aware training?

Data Staff

- Is the young carers' data easily accessible on the database as a tick box, similar to Pupil Premium and Looked After Children?
- Do your previous results for the January census reflect the amount of young carers you have within your school?
- Are parents and pupils asked if they are a young carer on the admission form in an inviting/approachable way?

Angel Award Scheme

- Have you considered registering for our Angel Award for young carer-friendly schools? **More here** www.actionforcarers.org.uk/for-professionals/schools-colleges/the-angel-award/

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