

Support for Families

Early Help

At Hadfield Nursery School, we want to help and support all of our families as well as our children. That is why we provide Early Help and support to those families who need it.

What is Early Help?

Early Help is a way of getting extra support when you or your family needs it; getting help as soon as the difficulties start rather than waiting until things get worse.

It is for children and young people of any age. Help can come from all kinds of services and organisations who work together to support families. You might be using some of these services already and we want to make sure they are providing the right support for you and your family's needs.

How do we support Early Help?

We provide Early Help through the activities we do in nursery; working alongside Health Visitors and a range of agencies; through the Derbyshire Early Help 0-5 Advisors and through our Family Liaison Worker, Michelle Lewis. If you think you might need some Early Help, or would like some advice or support with something at home, or at school, then please contact:

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At Hadfield Nursery School we meet the needs of children through a variety of ways:

Step 1 Open to all families

Support offered

Open door policy We are available to talk via telephone, email and socially distanced face to face meetings. Keyworkers communicate daily with parents and provide regular consultations with parents about their child's progress and achievements.

Pupil voice Our children feel safe in school and develop positive relationships with their key workers. Children understand that staff will listen carefully to them. They know that our staff take their views and concerns seriously.

Developing key skills We use a developmentally appropriate Personal Social Health Education curriculum which supports children and develops key skills, not only for school, but for life.

Step 2 Support for families

DSL/DDSL At Hadfield Nursery School, EHAs help identify the specific needs of our children and families so that they can be assigned to the best interventions for their educational, social, physical and emotional needs.

The Head and SENCo manage the allocation of pupils to intervention and support groups, where available.

Health The Head and SENCo will liaise with and refer to appropriate medical and specialist teaching support.

Implementation of the children with medical needs policy.

Family Liaison Worker Our Family Liaison Worker, Michelle Lewis, is available to talk via telephone, email and socially distanced face to face meetings.

Attendance We will work closely with all families to promote good attendance and engagement at school.

We signpost to other agencies and request support from other services:

Step 3 Further support from services for families.

The DSL and Family Liaison Worker will work with parents and children and family's services to organise additional support, this could include:

- Children and families team
- Multi-agency safeguarding team
- Safeguarding children board
- Social workers

For more information about useful Early Help sites take a look at the links below.

Confidential Counselling Service for young children

<https://www.safespeak.org.uk/>

Derby and Derbyshire Safeguarding Partnership

<https://www.ddscp.org.uk/>

Derbyshire Groups Directory

<https://apps.derbyshire.gov.uk/applications/derbyshire-directory/>

Derbyshire Information and Support Service for Special Educational Needs
<https://www.derbyshireiass.co.uk/home.aspx>

Support for families suffering from domestic abuse
<https://derbyshire.gov.uk/social-health/children-and-families/support-for-families/domestic-abuse/domestic-abuse.aspx>

National Domestic Violence helpline: 0808 2000 247

National Centre for Domestic Abuse: 0844 8044 999

CARP: 0845 602 9035 providing advice for victims of domestic violence

Support for children seriously affected by someone else substance misuse
<https://services.actionforchildren.org.uk/derbyshire/space-4-u/>

Resources to support positive mental health and well-being

<https://www.kooth.com/>

<https://www.qwell.io>