

United Against Bullying School Case Study: Raising awareness of the Young Carers in school

How Gordon Primary School ensured the school community understands who Young Carers are and how to support them

Context of our anti-bullying work

- Sometimes children and staff don't always know the children who are young carers
- Sometimes a parent/carer might not view their child as a young carer either
- We wanted to raise awareness and to signpost support

What we hoped to achieve

Raised awareness so Children, Parents and Carers, staff might seek support for Young Carers

The action we took

- We added Young Carers as a CPOMs category in the Autumn Term - DSL's monitor known Young Carers in monthly CP meetings
- Staff completed ABA CPD on Young Carers
- We held a Young Carers Assembly and marked Young Carers Action Day
- We signpost support in our Newsletter, display posters on the stairs and in the Office Reception
- This term we have signed up to Greenwich Young Carers Project



Anti-Bullying Ambassadors

Young Carer's

Caring for Siblings Shopping Emotional Support Paying Bills Cleaning & Laundry
Getting Up Dressing Communicating Cooking Medicines

Royal Greenwich useful links:
https://www.royalgreenwich.gov.uk/info/2/00274/carers/769/young_carers
Young Carers: www.youngcarers.net

Ambassadors in year 6 raised awareness of Young Carers in assembly.

Young carers are children or young people who spend a lot of time looking after someone, such as a family member helping with tasks that the person might not be able to do because of illness or disability.

Young carers are often unidentified in schools without support. They might find it hard to concentrate on their work, to do homework, have worries or find it hard to spend time with friends. Please let any trusted adult in school know if you are a young carer and would like support.

(Ambassador notice – Anti-Bullying Newsletter Issue 8)

Impact and outcomes of the work

Over the next year we aim to:

- Further develop our in-school support for Young Carers
- Deliver staff training through the Greenwich Young Carers Programme

What we have learned

This is an area to develop for the next school year.