

## Bradworthy Primary Academy: Early Help Provision

At Bradworthy Primary Academy we understand that from time to time family life can have complications and challenges. These can be times when the family needs some extra help and support. Early Help falls within our Safeguarding procedures, and involves support provided by school and any other relevant agencies as needed.

Potential Early Help Indicators	School Early Help Offer	Multi-Agency Early Help
<p>A range of issues can lead to a family requesting or being offered Early Help Support, including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Financial concerns</li> <li>• Behavioural issues / management</li> <li>• Changes in behaviour</li> <li>• Housing concerns / frequent moves</li> <li>• Domestic Abuse</li> <li>• Mobility Difficulties</li> <li>• Bereavement and Loss</li> <li>• Substance Abuse</li> <li>• Transport issues</li> <li>• Limited community integration</li> <li>• Young Carers</li> <li>• Mental Health Concerns (adult or child)</li> <li>• Disabilities</li> <li>• Medical Issues</li> <li>• Special Educational Needs</li> <li>• Poor attendance / punctuality</li> <li>• Anti-social / criminal behaviour</li> <li>• Rural / social isolation</li> </ul> <p>This is by no means an exhaustive list, and families are free to speak to a member of our Safeguarding team to request Early Help at any time .</p>	<p>Within the universal provision for all pupils lie a range of strategies that can be tailored to support a family who require early help:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Support / Advice regarding Free School Meals</li> <li>• Pastoral Support</li> <li>• After School clubs</li> <li>• Subsidised School trips and activities</li> <li>• Wraparound care</li> <li>• Access to low cost uniform</li> <li>• Nurture provision</li> <li>• Attachment based mentoring (2 x staff)</li> <li>• Support / advice for parents</li> <li>• Mental Health First Aiders (2 x staff)</li> <li>• Liaison with school nurse</li> <li>• Attendance Support (via EWO if necessary)</li> <li>• Access to a wide range of clubs and additional experiences – either for free or heavily subsidised</li> <li>• Open Door Policy for parents to discuss concerns and issues with relevant staff</li> <li>• Support with applications for housing / benefits</li> <li>• Links to outside agencies – PCSO / SEND Support Agencies</li> </ul>	<p>At times, outside agencies can also be accessed to provide support for pupils and their families. This support is accessed following an Early Help Assessment and a successful 'Request for Additional' services (See below):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Behaviour Support Team</li> <li>• Family Intervention Team</li> <li>• Health Services – GP / School Nurse</li> <li>• Children &amp; Adolescent Mental Health Support (CAMHS)</li> <li>• Housing Teams</li> <li>• Benefits Agency</li> <li>• Young Carer Support Network</li> <li>• Community Support Workers</li> <li>• PCSO</li> <li>• Education Welfare Officer</li> <li>• Speech and Language Support</li> <li>• Children's Centre Support</li> <li>• Family Solutions (FGC)</li> <li>• Any relevant agency or team to help meet the needs of the family.</li> <li>• Advice sought from a member of the 'Early Help Co-ordination Team' for the locality in question</li> </ul>

If and when it is felt by the Team Around the Family (TAF) that a family would best be supported by an outside agency a referral can be made in line with Devon's Early Help Procedures. An Early Help Assessment is completed, along with a supplemental 'Request for Additional Service', which highlights the work already completed with the family, and assesses the family's need against several key areas of concern. If this request is successful then the family becomes part of the casework for the relevant agency. While support is being provided through the agency, TAF meetings will take place to review the progress made by the family, and how best to meet any ongoing needs.