Our Pastoral Team



If you feel you need some extra support please contact Mr Grady through the school office, DOJO or E-mail

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Mr Grady is our Pastoral Manager here at Vane Road School.

His role includes working in partnership with school leaders, classroom-based staff, parents, pupils and other professionals to address barriers to learning and ensure that all pupils are able to engage with education.

He has other roles in school including, attendance, behaviour support, Emotional support, Medical issues in school and is also one of the designated deputy safeguarding leads.

He is also here to support parents and can work with parents looking at Early Help Intervention and signpost to support services available to families and to help with Early Help Referrals and assessments.

Mr Grady has an extensive knowledge of support available and worked with various external agencies and this includes when escalation of support is needed and has 20 years experience in this sector.

What is Pastoral Care?

Pastoral care and support is extremely important in our school environment.

It is there to support the physical and emotional welfare of our children, providing information, advice and guidance to them and their carers and to ensure the all round wellbeing of the child.

Why is Pastoral Care important in school?

Not only does Pastoral care support students in their natural progression but also facilitates the development of their self-esteem, social skills and ability to cope with stress.

It is important that children feel safe and valued in their school environment and pastoral care can help ensure this.

Some other services available include:

School Nursing Team

They provide a service to all children and young people of school age, and their families whether or not they are attending school. They offer advice and info and assess health needs of children. They are the first point of contact for schools where there are concerns about a child's health and wellbeing.

Contact Number: 03000 263538

Harbour Support Services:

Harbour Support Services is a specialist charity to help County Durham residents who have been affected by domestic abuse. This is not only adult to adult but also child to parent abuse too.

Telephone Number: 03000 202525

Food Banks: (Junction 7)

These can be essential for some families and you can contact on the details below:

Contact Name: Simon Day Mobile: 07783539167

E-Mail: <u>junc7tion@gmail.com</u>
St.Clares church Newton Aycliffe

0191 303 7559

Social Care Direct (First Contact)

This is a dedicated team of officers who are your first point of contact if you feel you need social care help and support from Durham County Council. They can be contacted in a number of different ways including text and email.

Telephone: 03000 267 979 E-mail: scd@durham.gov.uk

Website:

www.durham.gov.uk/.../socialcaredirect

You can also access your local One Point Service and Family Centre's

There are 2 located in Newton Aycliffe. One is at Newton Aycliffe Youth Centre opposite Tesco and this is the

Families First Hub

Contact Number: 03000 261118

There is also a One Point Family Sure start Centre which is attached to Stevenson Way Primary School.

Contact Number: 03000263666

Or Main number: 03000 261111

You can drop into any of these centres for help and advice and they can also advise on lots of different organisations to contact that are able to help and support you.

If you are concerned for a child you can also contact the CAMHS crisis team on 08000 516 171

Or contact CAMHS Single Point of access on 0300 1239296