

## SOCIAL WORK SERVICE

### Introduction

The School Social Work Service has been introduced at All Saints School in recognition of the fact that young people sometimes have personal or family difficulties that may benefit from intervention from a Social Worker based in school. The Service provides advice, support and/or counselling as well as signposting to other relevant agencies. The service is provided to the school by the Faith in Families, which is primarily a child care agency providing social work services across the Diocese.

The service is provided within the framework of the Children Act, 1989, Local Authority



protocol relating to child protection and also policies, practice and procedures of the Faith in Families, and All Saints R. C. School.

### Aims of the Service

- To identify difficulties and undertake preventative work at an early stage so that young people can be helped to overcome their problems and to reach their full potential
- To nurture the emotional and spiritual development of individual children and young people within the school and home community

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- To work together with Local Authorities, other Agencies and the community of the church to ensure that young people and families receive the most appropriate service.

### The Service

Consultation, visits and support are available to school and families in the community.

Confidential individual and group work can be offered to young people and families to give them the opportunity to share concerns, understand choices and help in reaching informed decisions.

Working together with Local Authorities, other Agencies and the community of the church to share knowledge, experience and information (where appropriate).

Parental consent is normally sought. The discussions in the session will remain confidential to the young person unless there is risk of harm to anyone. If you are concerned about your son or daughter meeting with the Social Worker, please contact Dawn Vernon, Manager of the John Paul Centre, who will be happy to talk this through with you.

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### The School Social Work Service Staff at All Saints School

Lynsey Whitehead is the School Social Worker for All Saints School. She is based in the John Paul Centre and is available to students and/or parents/carers currently every Friday. Lynsey is a fully qualified Social Worker registered by the GSCC and employed by Faith in Families.



Lynsey's background includes work with families and child protection.

Gail Jackson is managing the School Social Work Service and is also employed by, and based at, Faith in Families. Gail is a fully qualified Social Worker registered by the GCSS. Gail also manages the Adoption Support Service and the Children's Therapeutic Groups Service for the Society.

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### ENQUIRIES ABOUT THE SERVICE

Can be made either to Dawn Vernon, Manager of the John Paul Centre or directly to Gail Jackson at Faith in Families, on 0115 955 8811 or email: [enquiries@faithinfamilies.org](mailto:enquiries@faithinfamilies.org)

### COMMENTS, COMPLIMENTS & COMPLAINTS

If you have any comments about the School Social Work Service, please contact Gail Jackson, the Manager of the School Social Work Service, as above, or the school directly via Dawn Vernon.

#### Other Services offered by Faith in Families

Adoption Service

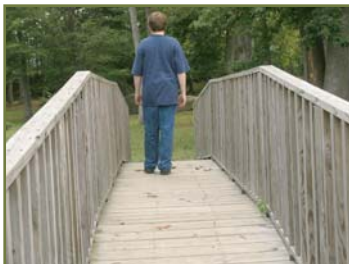
Adoption Support Service

Children's Bereavement Service in partnership  
with Family Care and MacMillan Care

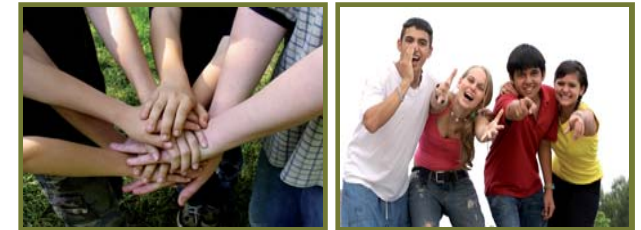
Children's Therapeutic Groups

School Social Work Service

Training & Consultancy



*You don't have to feel alone. The Schools  
Social Work Service is here to help!*



## SCHOOL SOCIAL WORK SERVICE

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for Parents

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