



# Dallimore Primary and Nursery

## Early Help



We know that from time to time unexpected problems can create difficulties for families which may need support to resolve. At Dallimore we work with children and parents/ carers to find the most appropriate and effective way to support you.

**This might be in the following ways:**



### Pastoral Support

We provide pastoral support in school for all children through our inclusive and understanding ethos.

However, some children may sometimes need a little help to develop their social and emotional or behavioural skills.

At Dallimore we have fully embraced the **Thrive Approach** which means that, whilst all staff support children's emotional and social learning throughout their time at school, we also provide specific support (sometimes on a 1 to 1 basis) for children who are finding staying focussed a little tricky.

### Parental Support



Sometimes parents need might need some help to address challenging behaviour or a difficult situation at home. This may be due to a number of reasons and we will be happy to provide strategies and ideas to support you with this.

We can provide support in the following ways:

**Drop-ins:** staff are available as much as possible to meet with parents to discuss any difficulties and to find possible solutions

**Courses:** From time to time we run Family Thrive courses. These provide parents with an understanding of the principles behind the approach and strategies that they might use with their own children at home.

We occasionally host '**The incredible years**' courses for Derbyshire County Council. These provide an understanding of why children might be behaving in a certain way and suggest ways to support children with their behaviour.

We will also offer you advice and support with any worries or concerns over **Special Educational Needs**.



### Attendance



Good attendance is essential for children to succeed at school and ensure they are fully prepared for their next phase of education.

We aim for at least 95% attendance and provide support and advice for parents on how to achieve this. This is done through:

**Informing parents** if attendance is falling and offer any support to prevent this from continuing to drop.

**Attendance Panel meetings:** at these meetings we discuss reasons why there may be low attendance, offer further support and advice and develop a plan to improve attendance.

**Reviews and further target setting:** following a panel meeting we will monitor your child's attendance and work with you to ensure that any further/ legal action is necessary.

### Involving other agencies

We work closely with other agencies so that we can share ideas and identify the most appropriate support for you and your family. If we need to do this we may arrange a 'Team around the Family' meeting (TAF) so that we can more effectively help you make positive changes.

If we feel we need to involve an additional agency we will always discuss this with you first and get permission to share contact details etc.



We have included links to various agencies and organisations on our website.

[www.dallimore.derbyshire.sch.uk](http://www.dallimore.derbyshire.sch.uk)

### WHAT NEXT?

During term time please make an appointment Mrs Crowther or Mrs Smith. You can do this by giving us a ring, sending a Dojo message or popping into office and asking for an appointment. We will do our best to see you as quickly as possible.

