



# Hayle Academy

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## Identifying and supporting Young Carers at Hayle Academy

Dear Parent/Carer,

At Hayle Academy we are aware that some of our pupils are young carers.

A young carer is someone under 18 who is caring unpaid for a family member or friend who is ill, frail, disabled or has mental health or addiction problems. They often take on practical and/or emotional caring responsibilities that would normally be expected of an adult. Research suggests there are at least 700,000 young carers in the UK but many do not realise they are a young carer.

We know that young carers may need a little extra support to enjoy and do well at school. At Hayle Academy, we are committed to ensuring that we know all of our students well, so that we can support them most effectively. This includes knowing our students who are young carers.

As the Young Carers' Lead, I have responsibility for overseeing the provision for young carers to support their enjoyment of school and to help them to make good progress. If you think your child might be a young carer, or could be affected by any of the issues we've highlighted and you have not previously notified us, please let me know by either:

- Printing and filling in the form attached bringing it into school in a sealed envelope addressed to me.
- Or
- Completing the online google form here: <https://forms.gle/2V6tYiL8S3XXP5oUA>

If you do not feel comfortable doing this, or have any further questions, please contact me on [rwilson@hayle.tpacademytrust.org](mailto:rwilson@hayle.tpacademytrust.org) to speak to me directly.

Please rest assured that any information that is provided will be treated sensitively and no information will be shared without your knowledge.

Yours sincerely

*Rebs Wilson*

Assistant Headteacher  
Young Carers' School Operational Lead



Pupil's name: \_\_\_\_\_

Tutor Group: \_\_\_\_\_

Does the pupil have parents or other family members who have a long-term illness or disability, or who are affected by mental ill-health or substance misuse?

Yes                      No

If you wish, you can give further details here: (not required)

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Would you like to arrange a meeting to discuss your child's role as a young carer?

Yes                      No

Pupil's name: \_\_\_\_\_

Class: \_\_\_\_\_

Does the pupil have parents or other family members who have a long-term illness or disability, or who are affected by mental ill-health or substance misuse?

Yes                      No

If you wish, you can give further details here: (not required)

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Would you like more information about the types of support the school provides to young carers?

Yes                      No

Please provide a name and telephone number or email address so that we can contact you.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone/email address: \_\_\_\_\_