

Parent Support Advisors



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Hello, our names are Miss Bewick and Miss Simpson, we are Ox Close Federation's Parent Support Advisors.

What is a Parent Support Advisor?

Parent Support Advisors offer confidential and non-judgemental support and advice to parents/carers of children who attend our school and nursery. Parents/carers may have specific concerns or worries about their child, or just need someone to talk to.

What could a PSA help me with?

As PSAs we are here to offer support in a range of situations, such as:

- School transition.
- Signposting and referrals to local agencies/services.
- Opportunities to meet with other parents.
- Providing an impartial link between home and school.
- Advice and support with your child's behaviour at home.
- Support with issues around attendance and school refusal.
- Identifying and overcoming barriers to learning to help you support your children's learning.
- Support for families through times of significant change in family life.
- Advice and signposting to support services for children with special educational needs or disability.
- Opportunities to meet other parents through family learning groups.

How do PSAs support parents/carers?

Parent Support Advisors give support to families in many different ways including:

- One-to-one family support.
- Sign-posting to local services.
- Speaking on your behalf.
- Referring to parenting courses.
- Counselling sessions.

When might you need to contact your Parent Support Advisor?

“I have a question about parenting.”

“My child is starting school and I’m so nervous about it.”

“I need help getting my children to school on time.”

“I’m worried about parent’s evening.”

“My child’s behaviour is getting out of hand.”

“I’m worried my child is being bullied.”

“I’m struggling since my partner left, what can I do?”

“I’m not sure how to talk to my child/ren.”

“I would like someone to talk to.”

“I’m worried about money and trying to keep it from the children but it’s affecting what I can provide for them.”

Parenting is not an easy job and sometimes things can get tough.

We may not have all the answers, but we might be able to help you work things out, or point you in the right direction.

Attendance & Punctuality

We are also responsible for overseeing and improving school attendance and punctuality. We believe in school working collaboratively with families to ensure that issues around attendance/punctuality can be addressed and resolved to achieve the best outcomes for your children.

Low attendance/lateness is sometimes a result of other difficulties which families may be experiencing and by working together we can often find a way to overcome most issues. Therefore, if you are experiencing difficulties please contact us in school and we can meet for a chat.

We are passionate about our young people getting the most out of education. By building their resilience and confidence at home and in school they learn that possibilities and opportunities are endless!

You are welcome to contact us with any issues/concerns you may have or to share ideas of how we can improve what we are already doing.

How do I get in touch?

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contact the Federation office on **01388 814860** to arrange an appointment.