



How do I contact the Home School Link Worker?

Parents/carers, school and children can ask us to be involved. With your consent we will explore the difficulties your child or family is experiencing and together try to find the best way forward.

Contact Kate Shaw:

- Completing the HSLW message form attached and hand into the school office in an envelope for the attention of the Home School Link Worker, marked Private.
- Email me at hslw@st-thomas.surrey.sch.uk
- Telephone me on 07725 250 435

What can I expect?

I will fill in a referral form with you. We will always obtain your consent before initiating contact with your child. We are able to offer a confidential service regarding personal issues. If necessary we would seek your permission to share the information with staff at the school or other agencies. [Should a Child Protection issue be identified we are legally bound to follow Government Guidelines.](#)



Home School Link Worker

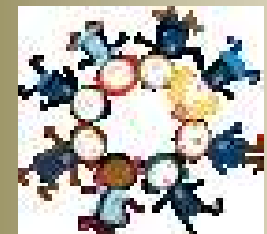
Working together to support children, young people and their families.

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Role of Kate Shaw, our Home School Link Worker

Kate Shaw, our Home School Link Worker, works as part of our Inclusion Team, supporting children, parents and carers.

Our aim is to support families and encourage children to enjoy school and feel happy and secure.

Kate is available to provide support for children and carers. She is also a link between home and school, and an ongoing contact as children move from school to school.

During term time we work in partnership with parents/carers, schools and other agencies to support families aiming to resolve current issues and prevent future difficulties.



I can help...

- Children who are experiencing difficult times or are withdrawn and anxious.
- Parents/carers experiencing difficulties with their children's behaviour.
- Families who are reacting to change, such as parental separation or bereavement.
- Parents/carers whose children are reluctant to attend school or who have been excluded.
- Parents/carers who may need support on a wide range of issues or difficulties impacting on their family life e.g. illness, domestic violence, disability, financial difficulties.

I can also...

- Help with links between you and school.
- Support you at school meetings.
- Help you find your way through the education system.
- Guide you towards other sources of help, advice and support.
- Provide information on support groups for parents/carers.
- Work closely with our Inclusion team to support wider issues.



HSLW Message Form

Telephone/email OR hand this form into the school office in an envelope marked "Private" addressed to Kate Shaw, HSLW.

I would like to speak to the Home School Link Worker.

Name:

Telephone:

Childs Name:

When:

Message:

Please note Kate Shaw may not pick up messages every day due to work patterns, but will contact you as soon as possible.