

# Children in Care & Care Leavers



# Learn to release your potential.

## WHAT DO WE DO?

The aims of the virtual school:

- \* to raise awareness of the barriers and challenges to learning for children or young people in care, children who were previously in care and children with a social worker;
- \* to improve the educational outcomes and opportunities of any child or young person in care;
- \* to provide support and educational guidance for carers and other professionals;
- \* to assist in removing barriers to accessing educational entitlements and fast-tracking support.

## HOW DO WE ACHIEVE THIS FOR CHILDREN IN CARE?



We support with arranging 1:1 tuition with qualified tutors for any child or young person in care who requires subject specific support.

We track attendance, attainment and progress of our children and young people in care to ensure they receive timely and appropriate support where needed.



We manage, monitor and quality assure Personal Education Plans and the use of Pupil Premium Plus so that it improves the educational outcomes of each individual child in care.



We provide extra literacy and numeracy support through book parcels, magazine subscriptions and activity packs.



We provide support and challenge when key educational decisions need to be made.



We provide training, support and guidance to a range of professionals working with our children and young people.

## **EXTENDED ROLE FOR POST-LOOKED AFTER CHILDREN AND CHILDREN WITH A SOCIAL WORKER**

We provide advice and guidance to schools, parents, carers and other professionals as needed. We do not work directly with the children.



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