

# Supporting the Education of Children and Young People with a Social Worker

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# Did you know...?

- 1.6 million children needed a social worker between 2012 and 2018, equivalent to 1 in 10 children or 3 children in every classroom.

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- Children in care are 10 times more likely to have a EHCP.
- In 2018, only 50% of children who had a social worker in the last six years were able to achieve a good level of development in the early years, compared to 72% of children who had never had a social worker.

# Did you know...?

- Pupils who had a social worker in the year of their GCSEs were half as likely to achieve a strong pass in English and Maths than their peers.
- At the end of Key Stage 4, they were around 3 times less likely to go on to study A levels at age 16, and almost 5 times less likely to enter higher education at age 18.
- They are more likely to go to Prison than University.

# Did you know...?

- Children with a social worker are around 3 times more likely to be persistently absent from school and between 2 to 4 times more likely to be permanently excluded from school than their peers.
- This group are also over ten times more likely to attend state-funded alternative provision settings than all other pupils (changes to DFE exclusion guidance will impact this further).

# Did you know...?

- The proportion of children and young people with probable mental health disorders increased from 1 in 9 in 2017 to 1 in 6 in July 2020.
- Children in care are four times more likely to have a mental health issue than their peers.

# How to contact

- The first point of contact will normally be via the school (or through the social worker) but I am available to contact directly
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