



THE WESTLEIGH SCHOOL
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Dear Parent/Carer

RE: Young Carers

At The Westleigh High School we work closely with Wigan & Leigh Young Carers to provide support for students who are caring for family members.

I would like to ensure that our record of these students who are classed as a young carer is currently up to date so that we can provide them with the best possible support.

Could I therefore please ask that you notify school, if you feel your child may qualify as a young carer from the statement below, so that we may amend our records and offer the appropriate support for your child.

A young carer is defined as;

A person under the age of 18 who provides or intends to provide care for another person.

This definition also stipulates that the care provided is not voluntary work and that the person providing the care is not under or by virtue of a contract.

Thank you for your support.

Yours sincerely,

Chris Gee
Deputy Headteacher