



SAFEGUARDING NEWSLETTER

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Early Help

There are many reasons why a child or parent may need support. Our school can assist you with finding the right support, for whatever reason it may be. We may refer to the IFD (Wiltshire's hub for safeguarding agencies) or we may invite you into school to discuss our next steps. We will most likely complete an Early Help Early Support Assessment.

What is the Early Help ESA?

The Early Help ESA is a supportive process for all children and young people aged from unborn to 18.

It involves:

- Gathering information from your child, you and anyone working with them
- Completing the ESA to identify your child's needs and what is working well for them
- Working together with professionals to agree an action plan which will aim to put support in place to meet your child's needs
- Meeting regularly to review the process and record any progress made by holding team around the child (TAC) meetings
- Referring to other professionals and services to support and work with your child where it is felt necessary

The Early Help ESA is a voluntary process that you and your child can choose to be involved with.

Support and advice can be found by emailing ESA@wiltshire.gov.uk.

If you feel you have any concerns and feel like you may like to speak with a member of our safeguarding team, please let us know via the office.