Bushmead Primary School

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Dear Parent/Carer,

We want to ensure every child in school community feels supported, valued and understood. Some children take on responsibilities at home that go beyond what is typical for their age. These children are known as **young carers.**

A young carer is someone under 18 who helps to look after a family member who has a disability, long term illness, mental health condition or struggles with substance misuse. This care might include:

- Helping with personal care, cooking, cleaning or shopping
- Managing medication or appointments
- Providing emotional support
- Looking after siblings

Being a young carer can be rewarding, but it can also affect a child's school life, friendships and wellbeing. We want to make sure that any young carers in our school receive the right support, both in and out of the classroom.

If you think your child may be a young carer, please let us know. You can:

- Speak confidently to a member of staff
- Contact our young carer champion (Mrs Perry) in person or via the school office email office@bushmead.cambs.sch.uk

Your information will be treated sensitively, and sharing it will help us provide tailored support for your child.

Thank you for working with us to ensure every child has the opportunity to thrive.

Kindest regards,

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