

Learning Mentors

In order to achieve, children need to feel safe and happy in school. The learning mentors will work with parents and children to ensure this happens.

At lunchtime the learning mentors hold a 'drop in' session in the Rainbow Room where children can come and speak about problems or worries they are experiencing, particularly with friendships.

They also run a homework support club for pupils who are struggling with homework. Parents are welcome to attend this too.

Contact

Mrs A Turner - Lower School Mentor
for Years 3 and 4

Ms. Z Danson - Upper School Mentor
for Years 5 and 6



To contact the Learning Mentors please call in to the school office and make an appointment. Alternatively they can be contacted by telephone or e-mail.

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The Learning Mentors can be found in the Rainbow Room in the centre of the school.



UPTON JUNIOR SCHOOL

LEARNING MENTORS IN YOUR SCHOOL

Information for
Parents & Pupils
on Learning Mentors



What is a Learning Mentor?

A Learning Mentor is a:

- Role model
- Active listener
- Observer
- Encourager
- Professional friend
- Guide
- Target Negotiator
- Reliable, approachable, non judgmental and realistic supporter with pupils, parents and staff
- The person who can bridge the divide between schools and other agencies

What is mentoring?

Learning Mentors work with individuals and groups of pupils. They work closely with teachers and other members of staff in school and also parents, carers, families and other agencies, providing a supportive link.

Learning Mentors support a wide variety of pupils, of all abilities.

Learning Mentors help address barriers to learning. Barriers can be wide ranging and personal to individual pupils.

These may include;

- Personal organisation
- Difficulties at home
- Behaviour
- Bullying
- Learning, study and social skills
- Bereavement
- Low self-esteem
- Difficulties coming into school
- Absenteeism
- Disengagement from learning

Learning Mentors at
Upton Junior School



Peer Mediation

Year 6 pupils are trained to act as peer mediators with our younger pupils. This encourages independence when dealing with minor friendship issues, increasing confidence and giving responsibility to the older pupils before they move on to secondary school. This programme is overseen by the Learning Mentors.

Our Learning Mentors also work with our feeder Infant Schools and also with Secondary Schools, to prepare pupils for transfer.



What is said between the Learning Mentors, pupils and parents is confidential, unless there is a child protection issue in which case the information may have to be shared with others.