







# Southwark Key Contacts and Services

[More information is available online about the teams that make up Southwark Children's Services.](#)

## Safeguarding in Schools Team

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- Find out more about the work of Southwark's Safeguarding in Schools Team [here](#).
- Find out more about DSL/DDSL Induction and Refresher training courses plus bespoke training tailored to the needs of your staff [here](#).
- Find out more about the role of the LADO [here](#).

## Southwark Social Care

### MASH:

- [Online referral form](#)  
Also available [here](#):
  - Best practice guidance on referring to Southwark for partner agencies and professionals.
  - Child exploitation risk and vulnerability checklist tool for professionals.
- Consultation line: 020 7525 1921

- Inbox monitored by MASH managers: [mash@southwark.gov.uk](mailto:mash@southwark.gov.uk)

### **Family Early Help:**

- You can contact [earlyhelp@southwark.gov.uk](mailto:earlyhelp@southwark.gov.uk) or the duty line (020 7525 1922) which will give four options:
  - General enquiries and signposting
  - Family Early Help Duty Manager for general advice including consultations around potential and new referrals and current casework
  - Education, Inclusion and Attendance support and advice including all enforcement activity
  - Parenting support and advice and information on parenting course and group work programmes
- Alternatively, you can contact your schools SPOC (FEH) for advice, information and guidance
- Service Managers:  
FEH 11+ [ebele.achuka@southwark.gov.uk](mailto:ebele.achuka@southwark.gov.uk)  
FEH U11 [elizabeth.fajemisin@southwark.gov.uk](mailto:elizabeth.fajemisin@southwark.gov.uk)

### **Parenting Support Service:**

- Services available: Programmes, advice, Father's Group, and 'TAP-in' sessions (one off information session for groups of parents / carers about key topics) – [find out more here](#).
- Service manager: [Bethany.Gilbey@southwark.gov.uk](mailto:Bethany.Gilbey@southwark.gov.uk)

### **Private Fostering:**

- For (suspected) private fostering arrangements, refer to MASH (as above).
- For further information, training or advice, contact Southwark's Private Fostering Social Worker: [Joab.Keatley-Whyte@southwark.gov.uk](mailto:Joab.Keatley-Whyte@southwark.gov.uk), 07523 944253

**Police**

### **Safer Schools Sargent (for Southwark & Lambeth):**

- Maria Bruford, 07721627675, [Maria.bruford@met.police.uk](mailto:Maria.bruford@met.police.uk)

- Each school has a link DWO-CYP. Contact Maria for the allocations list.

## Education Support

### Education Inclusion Team:

- For consultation with a SEWO about attendance concerns, email [earlyhelp@southwark.gov.uk](mailto:earlyhelp@southwark.gov.uk) or call the duty line: 0207 525 2714.
- Service manager: [Kym.Winup@southwark.gov.uk](mailto:Kym.Winup@southwark.gov.uk)

### SEND:

- [All-age disability and learning disability service](#)
- [Southwark Information Advice and Support \(SIAS\)](#)
- Inclusion and SEND Consultant Team – Led by Head of Education Inclusion: [Sarah.Redman@southwark.gov.uk](mailto:Sarah.Redman@southwark.gov.uk)
- School Improvement Advisory team – Led by Assistant Director for Schools Partnerships, Sustainability and Standards: [Nikki.Tilson@southwark.gov.uk](mailto:Nikki.Tilson@southwark.gov.uk)

### Virtual School

- Virtual School - Headteacher: [usha.singh@southwark.gov.uk](mailto:usha.singh@southwark.gov.uk)
- Virtual School – Children in Need (supporting schools in addressing the needs of Children with a Social Worker and in Kinship care): [katherine.bainbridge@southwark.gov.uk](mailto:katherine.bainbridge@southwark.gov.uk)

### Children Not in School Team

Service Manager: [Laverne.Noel@southwark.gov.uk](mailto:Laverne.Noel@southwark.gov.uk)

- Children Missing Education - [cme@southwark.gov.uk](mailto:cme@southwark.gov.uk)
- Elective Home Education - [electivehomeeducation@southwark.gov.uk](mailto:electivehomeeducation@southwark.gov.uk)
- Child Employment - [ptl@southwark.gov.uk](mailto:ptl@southwark.gov.uk)
- Alternative Provision - [AP.referrals@southwark.gov.uk](mailto:AP.referrals@southwark.gov.uk)

## Southwark Services

- **Bede House: Violence Against Women and Girls (VAWG) and Domestic Abuse Service**

The service is available to all those living in Southwark, including men and boys, who have experienced, or are at risk of, gender-based abuse. Support available includes:

- Advice and guidance
- Face to face advocacy support, safety planning, and emotional support

- Adult counselling and art therapy (12 weeks)
- Child art therapy for ages 5–17 years (12 weeks)
- Digital and remote support (phone, video call, text, email) for clients who cannot attend in person and where it is safe to do so

[The referral form is available online](#) and should be submitted to [wsa@bedehouse.org](mailto:wsa@bedehouse.org)

To discuss a referral, contact: 020 7232 0860.

Bede House also deliver Healthy Relationship workshops and 1:1 support in schools. [See their flyer for more info](#) and contact [healthyrelationships@bedehouse.org](mailto:healthyrelationships@bedehouse.org) to book.

- **Change, Grow, Live (CGL): Drug and alcohol service**

A free and confidential service open to anyone experiencing difficulties with drugs or alcohol. [Full information about the services available is accessible online.](#)

They have a [specialist family and young person service](#) for children and parents / carers impacted by substances.

CGL also offer interventions, support and preventative work to all schools and education settings in Southwark (for children age 5+) including assemblies, workshop and training free of charge. To find out more and book, contact: [Southwark.YoungPeople@CGL.org.uk](mailto:Southwark.YoungPeople@CGL.org.uk)

- **Youth Justice Service**

This service provides support to those involved in or at risk of entering the criminal justice system. YJS offer a variety of programme and interventions that can be delivered in schools, including 1:1 support, small group programmes and workshops.

These include:

- Trauma Informed Weapons Awareness Programme (TIWAP): 6 sessions (over 3 or 6 weeks) of targeted support for groups of 5-6 identified students – contact: [dermot.kealey@southwark.gov.uk](mailto:dermot.kealey@southwark.gov.uk)
- Phenomenal Youth Women’s Group (6 week programme for girls) - contact: [Rueneaka.Baptiste@southwark.gov.uk](mailto:Rueneaka.Baptiste@southwark.gov.uk)
- Turnaround programme: family focused prevention service for young people age 10-17 who have come to the attention of the Police - contact: [Jordan.Record@southwark.gov.uk](mailto:Jordan.Record@southwark.gov.uk)

- Restorative intervention and mediation – contact:

[Deirdre.Leask@southwark.gov.uk](mailto:Deirdre.Leask@southwark.gov.uk)

To find out more or request a programme in school, contact:

- Amanda Drayton, Service Manager (Prevention and Diversion & Specialists):  
[Amanda.Drayton@southwark.gov.uk](mailto:Amanda.Drayton@southwark.gov.uk)
- Katie Moore, Service Manager (Turnaround, Prevention and Diversion & Court): [Katie.Moore@southwark.gov.uk](mailto:Katie.Moore@southwark.gov.uk)
- Joanne Tattersfield, Service Manager (Community and Custody- statutory orders and ExtraFamilial Harm): [Joanne.Tattersfield@southwark.gov.uk](mailto:Joanne.Tattersfield@southwark.gov.uk)

- **Imago: Young Carers Support Service**

Support for anyone under 18 who is taking on caring responsibilities for a family with a long-term illness, disability, mental health, or substance misuse issue.

Imago also delivers training sessions for school staff to raise awareness, help with the identification and support of Young Carers

[Find out more here](#) or contact: [youngcarers@imago.community](mailto:youngcarers@imago.community) , 0300 111 1110

- **Adolescent Sure Start Early Help Service**

Drop in sessions for young people 11-19 (or up to 25 with SEND) and their parents / carers. Training sessions also available for school staff around understanding and assessing family's needs.

Find out more [here](#) or contact: [AdolescentSureStartTeam@southwark.gov.uk](mailto:AdolescentSureStartTeam@southwark.gov.uk)

- **Southwark Safeguarding Children Partnership**

Policies, procedures, training and guidance, including Southwark's Neglect Strategy and Toolkit – [find out more here](#).

***For more advice, guidance or signposting to services, resources or support, contact Emma Geiringer, Safeguarding in Schools Lead:  
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