Baden-Powell & St Peter's CE Junior School

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Dear Parents/Carers

Young Carers

At Baden Powell and St Peter's, we are committed to supporting all our pupils and ensuring that every child has access to the help they need to thrive. As part of this, we are getting in touch with all families in Year 3 to help us identify any children who may have a caring role at home.

Some children take on additional responsibilities because they help to care for a family member with a physical or learning disability, a long-term illness, a mental health condition, or who is experiencing difficult circumstances. These children are often referred to as Young Carers.

We are working with MYTIME Young Carers, a charity that supports schools in recognising and supporting young carers. A child may have caring responsibilities that are not immediately obvious at school, so we want to make sure that no child is missed.

We would be grateful if you could take a few moments to complete a short form. This is being sent to all Year 3 families and does not mean that we have any particular concerns about your child. It is simply a way for us to make sure we are aware of any children who may benefit from additional support.

The form offers three simple options:

- Yes: my child helps to care for someone at home.
- No: this doesn't apply to our family.
- I'd like to talk this through please contact me to discuss.

If your child is identified as a Young Carer, they will be invited to take part in our Young Carer Group, which runs in school during the year. These sessions provide an opportunity to relax, talk, have fun and take part in activities such as forest school and creative sessions. Through MYTIME Young Carers, there may also be opportunities for special activities and experiences outside school.

Thank you for taking the time to complete the form and for helping us to make sure that every child who may have caring responsibilities is recognised and supported.

If you would like to talk to us before completing the form, please don't hesitate to get in touch.

Warm regards

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