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In line with the European Union's General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR, 2018), you have a right to know about the information we collect about your child, and how we use it. A Psychological Service Privacy Notice will be given to you when we begin to record information about your child. For a copy of this, please contact any of the Psychological Service offices on the numbers overleaf.

South Lanarkshire Council Psychological Service:

***Supporting the attainment,
achievement and wellbeing
of South Lanarkshire's
children and young people***

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SOUTH LANARKSHIRE COUNCIL PSYCHOLOGICAL SERVICE



Information for parents and carers

This leaflet provides you with information about how the Psychological Service becomes involved in supporting children/young people and families.

The Psychological Service is part of the Inclusion Service within South Lanarkshire Council Education Resources. Educational psychologists are registered practitioners with the Health and Care and Professions Council (HCPC). We are sometimes part of the network of support offered to children and young people (aged 0-19 years) to ensure they get the most out of their education. We also have strategic, advisory, research, and training roles within the council.

What do educational psychologists do?

Educational psychologists support the learning and teaching of children and young people. We also work to help improve the health and wellbeing of children and young people by working with parents/carers and schools and nurseries. In some cases, we work with partner agencies, such as social work services, health services, or voluntary agencies.

How will the educational psychologist become involved with my child?

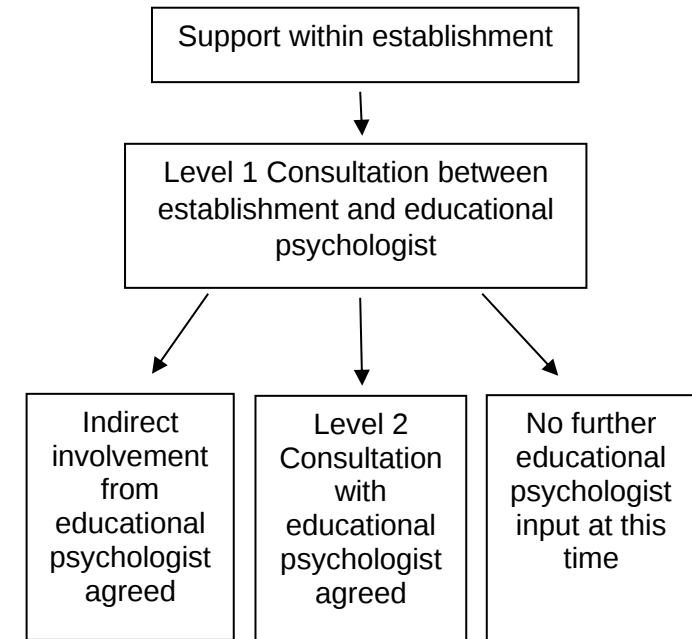
Schools and nurseries put strategies in place to support children's/young people's learning and wellbeing. This is in line with Getting it Right for Every Child (GIRFEC) and South Lanarkshire Council's Staged Intervention procedures.

When schools and nurseries are requesting additional support from the Psychological Service, they will ask for parents'/carers' agreement to have a consultation with an educational psychologist (called a Level 1 Consultation). This meeting involves only school/nursery staff and the educational psychologist.

The outcome of the Level 1 Consultation will be one of the following:

- The offer of indirect involvement. Sometimes indirect work by the psychologist is the best way to support your child/young person (e.g. consultation, advice or training for staff). Other strategies to support your child/young person may also be agreed and reviewed by the school.
- A Level 2 Consultation meeting may be arranged, which will involve you, staff from the school or nursery and the educational psychologist (and if appropriate your child/young person). In line with partnership working and GIRFEC, other professionals may also attend this meeting. At this meeting further involvement of the educational psychologist might be agreed.
- No further involvement from the educational psychologist at that time. In this case additional appropriate strategies to support your child will be agreed and reviewed by the school or nursery.

The consultation process



What will happen if a Level 2 Consultation meeting is agreed?

The head teacher will be in touch to arrange this. If further direct involvement with your child/young person is agreed at this meeting, it will most likely be to carry out a specific short piece of work.

Any involvement of the Psychological Service will be reviewed on a regular basis, in line with your child's progress.

When the agreed work has been completed, your child's Psychological Service casefile will be closed.

