

Virtual School Extension to Role Information for Social Workers

Although we are unable to attend CIN or CP meetings, work directly with children and families; we are available to talk directly to social workers and advise them on any aspect of education. We will support social workers with the necessary knowledge and understanding of educational issues to enable them to challenge and work with schools effectively.

Wokingham Virtual School can offer advice on educational issues to social workers working with young people aged 0-18. This can include advice and further signposting on:

- ♥ Attainment data
- ♥ Well-being of the young person
- ♥ What to ask schools to put in place to support the young person
- ♥ SEN processes
- ♥ Interventions and strategies for a school to consider when meeting the needs of the young person
- ♥ Attendance and exclusions
- ♥ Reduced Timetables
- ♥ External organisations/activities that could support the young person.

If you wish to speak to us, please email Ruth at the Virtual School, Ruth.Blyth@wokingham.gov.uk to arrange a phone consultation. It would be useful if you could provide us with a brief summary of the information that you require and where the young person attends school.

- The Wokingham Virtual School are currently developing training opportunities for social workers around attainment and the curriculum, SEN processes, interventions known to make the biggest impact for children with a social worker etc. Please refer to our [calendar](#) or newsletter for more information.
- The Wokingham Virtual School will highlight local projects to social workers supporting children and families within the local area. We will encourage joint working practices to support the cohort of children within each school.