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Dear Parents and Carers,

RE: External Support Agencies and Services

We are all aware how challenging the last few months have been in so many ways. Previously we have shared this helpful summary of external agencies and services that are available to families, but as Term 2 draws to a close we thought it would be helpful to re-issue it. As you can see from the final column, most referrals can be made by families directly.

If you would like to be referred for any service, then please do not hesitate to contact us for more details.

Service	URL	Referral methods
Kooth – Online mental well-being service including counselling	www.Kooth.com	Self-referral
Medway Council- Family help and support	https://www.medway.gov.uk/info/2/00307/local_offer/823/family_help_and_support	Parent/Carer
Mind – A charity designed to support and provide information about mental well being	www.mind.org.uk	Parent/Carer
NELFT – Kent Children & Young People’s Mental Health Service	www.NELFT.nhs.uk	Parent/Carer/ Academy/GP
Medway SENDIAS – Impartial SEND information and support	https://www.family-action.org.uk/what-we-do/children-families/send/medway-sendias/	Parent/Carer
Legends Programme – Weekly group for all students aged 7–17-Year-olds (Sport, Life skills, Residential Trips etc)	www.ylf.org.uk/legends	Parent/Carer
Home Start – Support in your own home, including listening, adult company, reassurance, practical help, accessing other services	https://home-startmedway.org.uk/support/	Parent/Carer
Early Help – Help with education, relationships, wellbeing, anti-social behaviour, domestic violence or abuse	https://www.medway.gov.uk/info/2/00170/children_and_families/322/early_help_for_families	Parent/Carer/ Academy
Medway Community Healthcare – Community Healthcare services for people living in Medway.	https://www.medwaycommunityhealthcare.nhs.uk/our-services/a-z-	Parent/Carer

	services/child-health-service/parent-support-services	
Foundation Kent – Charity aims to support those family breakdowns, separation and divorce	https://wwwFOUNDATIONSkent.uk/	Parent/Carer
Medway Counselling (Paid for by Parent/Carer)	http://medwaycounselling.co.uk	Parent/Carer
Ken Resilience Hub - Resources for parent/carer supporting children and young people	https://kentresiliencehub.org.uk/parent-carers/resources/	Parent/Carer
Action for Children –Support with all aspects of parenting	https://parents.actionforchildren.org.uk/	Parent/Carer
KELSI - Children and Young people – health and well-being – including eating disorders	https://www.kelsi.org.uk/support-for-children-and-young-people/health-and-wellbeing/children-and-young-peoples-mental-health-service	Parent/Carer/Academy
Childmind - Parent/Carer guide to children, young people with OCD	https://childmind.org/guide/parents-guide-to-ocd/	Parent/Carer
Rethink - Parent/carer support with people with Mental Health Illness	https://www.rethink.org/help-in-your-area/support-groups/medway-area-rethink-support-group-mars/	Parent/Carer
Information, Advice and Support Kent – Support for all your families Health and Wellbeing	https://www.iask.org.uk/young-people/health-and-wellbeing-2/	Parent/Carer
MCH – Children and Young Persons Activities in Medway	https://www.medwaycommunityhealthcare.nhs.uk/our-services/a-z-services/child-health-service/holding-hands/teenager-activities	Parent/Carer
Youth Club for Children, Young People who have Autism	http://www.medway-magic.org/what-we-do/youth-club/	Parent/Carer

If we can be of any further support, then please feel free to contact us.

Yours sincerely,



Miss Paula Knight
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