

St Elizabeth's Looked after Children Policy Statement

1. Rationale

We believe at St Elizabeth's Catholic Voluntary Academy that all pupils have the right to receive a education commensurate with their individual needs .We aim to present the 5-11 curriculum through interesting and challenging programmes of work and we endeavour to encourage our pupils to develop co-operation, self-discipline and perseverance.

2. Aims

- **To work closely with the 'virtual school'**
- to ensure that effective planning is undertaken for any Looked After Child
- to ensure that collaborative inter agency working takes place on behalf of these pupils
- to ensure that each Looked After Child has a personal education plan
- to ensure full time education for such pupils offering a curriculum which is matched to their needs

3. Outcomes

- Mrs Acton is the identified teacher with responsibility for Looked After Children.
- Personal education plans will be in place which reflect the needs of the individual pupil
- Monitoring of attainment levels for these pupils will be undertaken.
- There will be increased opportunities for these pupils to achieve their academic potential
- There will be clear guidelines on how to deal in a sensitive and confidential way with Looked After Children, which reflect the background, circumstance and vulnerability of their position.

4. Whole School Approach:

- All staff will be required to deal with these pupils in a positive and sensitive manner.
- All staff will have an understanding and empathy for the particular issues affecting Looked After Children.
- All staff will be aware of the pupil's personal plan and the various targets within it.
- A named person will support these children through a nurture group.
- The Head Teacher will have overall responsibility for monitoring of Looked After Children.

2020

Review Date: annually