



Dear Parents and Carers,

At The Bourne Academy, we are proud to be working in partnership with MYTIME Young Carers, a charity committed to supporting Young Carers across Dorset and the Isle of Wight. Research shows that 1 in 5 children in the UK are young carers - nearly a million young people - many of whom take on significant responsibilities at home alongside their education.

A Young Carer is a child aged 5-18yrs who provides care, supervision or emotional support to a family member who may have:

- A long-term health condition/illness
- Physical Disability
- Neurodevelopmental Disorder
- Mental health condition
- Substance misuse issue

If your child is a young carer, we kindly ask you to complete the following online form:

<https://forms.gle/14Tax6Be2z8NGGHP6>

Even if you have previously informed us about your child's caring role, we would be grateful if you could complete the form again by **Monday 22nd September** to ensure we have the most up-to-date information.

If you have any questions about this, please don't hesitate to contact Bourne Academy's Young Carer Champion, Mrs Diffey at Mary.Diffey@thebourneacademy.com

Thank you for your continued support.

Mrs Mary Diffey

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