### Where and how you can find me...

In the morning time I am enabling several children to complete a sensory circuit. So if you need to speak to me either call or visit the school office where Mrs Davidson will let me know that you need to see or speak to me. I will get back to you as soon as possible via phone or at the end of the school day.

I am always available after school each day until 3:45pm.

Please don't hesitate to approach me, I am very approachable and I am a familiar, friendly face to lots of children here at Lister Infant and Nursery School.





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## Our school Learning Mentor



A friendly guide to inform both you and your child of the Learning Mentor role here at Lister Infants and Nursery School



Hello, I am Miss Clarke and I am the Learning Mentor for Lister Infant and Nursery School.

I hope this leaflet informs you of my role and how my support and input can help make a valuable contribution to your child's learning journey here at Lister Infant and Nursery School.

#### What is a Learning Mentor?

A Learning Mentor provides guidance and support to children who have difficulty learning because of emotional, social or behavioural problems. The barriers children can face to their learning are wide ranging and often very personal to the individual child.

I can provide support and guidance to help your child manage a difficulty which may be acting as a barrier to their learning. Such barriers as....

- Behaviour
- Relationship difficulties with peers
- Disengagement from learning
- Emotional issues
- Mental health and well-being
- Attendance and punctuality

#### How does the Learning Mentor do this?

In a variety of ways:

- Establishing a safe and secure environment for your child to freely communicate their concerns
- 1:1 and small group interventions
- Focus groups based on certain issues, e.g. self esteem, turn taking, listening, friendship etc.
- Working alongside your child within his/her classroom
- Extended activities, e.g. after school club, Sunbeams, Lego Therapy, Think Yourself Great, Theraplay, friendship groups
- Working in partnership with colleagues and other services linked with the school and yourselves
- All children have a Philosophy (P4C) lesson every week

# How will my child receive help from the Learning Mentor?

Teachers may refer your child for support. Children can approach me and ask for help themselves.



#### How can the Learning Mentor help?

As Learning Mentor I can help by...

- Working alongside teaching and support staff and parents to help identify your child's strengths and needs
- Listen to and understanding your child's concerns and difficulties from his/her perspective
- Implementing strategies of support and guidance to empower and motivate your child by acting upon this understanding
- Communicating with you and your child's class teacher regarding their progress
- Liaising with additional services and resources as and when appropriate (with your prior informed consent)

