

The Surrey Young Carers Angel Award



The Angel Award

The Angel Award scheme was developed by young carers to help caring pupils be recognised and supported at school.



The Award aims to encourage and recognise all the great work that schools do in identifying and supporting their young carers. Schools have to meet eight standards, checked by our staff and young carers, to show that they are 'young-carer friendly.'

The standards include: having a carers' champion, a carers support group, staff training, and assemblies about young carers to help all pupils understand the issues young carers face, as well as support pupils to self-identify and find the help they need.

Benefit to schools

By achieving the Angel Award:

- Schools are recognised by pupils, families and professionals as young-carer friendly, with a culture of acceptance, understanding and support for its vulnerable pupils.
- Schools gain recognition for their good practice.
- You demonstrate that your school is meeting the needs of this vulnerable group, specifically mentioned in Ofsted's Inspection Framework.

To find out more...

To find out more about the Angel Award, and our support for you in helping your school's young carers, please get in touch:

- Email SYC@actionforcarers.org.uk
- Call 0303 040 1234
- Or visit our website www.actionforcarers.org.uk/The-Angel-Award



How the Award works

- To achieve the award, you complete the checklist, and provide evidence of the eight standards.
- When approved, we will provide you with our Angel Award plaque of recognition, and certificate signed by the Executive Director for Children, Families and Learning, Surrey County Council.
- We will promote your achievement, in our communications, and provide Angel Award stickers, posters etc for you to display in your school.
- Every two years we will check what's being achieved with you.

Fewer than half (45%) of young carers left secondary school with 5 GCSE passes including English and Maths

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