

Getting it Right for Every Child (**GIRFEC**) is the Scottish Government's approach to promoting and safeguarding the wellbeing of children in Scotland. Duties attached to the Children and Young People Act 2014 means there will be a single planning framework for children who need support from services (called a Child's Plan). The Named Person will continue to be offered in West Dunbartonshire on a policy basis. In most cases the families around each child will be able to offer all the help and support that is needed. However, there are times when a child may need a bit of extra help. The GIRFEC approach is there to make it as easy as possible to get that help when it is needed and wanted by families.

The GIRFEC policy approach is to ensure that every child and young person and their family have access to help and support from a key member of staff in order to support the wellbeing and additional support needs of children and young people. The role of the Named Person is integrated into the current role of key promoted members of staff in schools and serves to strengthen the support they currently provide as a central point of contact for children, parents and other people working with them.

On our school website you will find the names of the members of staff who have been given key supporting roles for each age group of children along with the arrangements for cover in the event of absence.

*It is our intention to support the wellbeing and safeguarding of all our young people. Parents are reminded that the Named Person will only offer advice or support **in response to** a request from a child or parent, or when a wellbeing need has been identified. There is no obligation to accept the offer of advice or support from a Named Person.*

Holiday Cover

The GIRFEC policy also recommends the local authorities provide continuity of support signposting during school holiday periods. At these times coordination will be provided by suitably qualified staff from the Central Named Person Service at the Council Offices. See contact details below.

Central Services Named Person Service:

Joanne Scott (Education Support Officer) 01389 737000

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Tracy King (Education Support Officer) 01389 737000

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Below, you will find the names of the members of staff with key support responsibilities for each age group of children along with the arrangements for cover in the event of absence.

It is our intention to support the wellbeing and safeguarding of all of our young people to ensure that they have access to positive outcomes, choices and destinations; however, parents are reminded that the Named Person will only offer advice or support in response to a request from a child or parent, or when a wellbeing need has been identified. There is no obligation to accept the offer of advice or support from a Named Person.

At St. Peter's Primary your child's Named Person can be contacted on 01389 773909 and the allocation will be as follows;

Class	Named Person	HT & Named Person Absence Cover
All classes	Mrs Louise Kelly	Mr John Murphy

If your child has a support plan the above is still unchanged.