
Mentors needed for young people who are leaving care

Could you spare a maximum of 2-3 hours a week to volunteer as a role model and mentor for a young person (aged 16+) who is leaving care?

Or perhaps you or someone you know speaks a foreign language and would consider mentoring one of our young, unaccompanied asylum seekers?

The Mentoring Scheme aims to provide support, guidance and encouragement for young people aged 16 – 21 who are either in care or leaving care in East Sussex . You don't need specific education or qualifications as training will be given.

If you'd like to know more, phone Guri Minton on 01424 724130 (Bexhill and Rother Youth Support Team, East Sussex County Council) or write to 87-89 London Road , St Leonards-on-sea TN37 6DH.

Course for primary school teachers 'Attachment in the Classroom'

- **Have you ever wondered why a pupil is constantly seeking your attention?**
- **Or why some children never ask for help when they clearly need it?**
- **And why when you approach a child they tend to move away from you?**

A new course for primary school teachers and teaching assistants could help. It uses *Attachment Theory* to understand the links between children's early experiences, their emotional well-being and their performance in school - and aims to explore practical solutions to common patterns of behaviour in the classroom.

By developing a deeper understanding of what might be driving a child's behaviour in school, we can consider responses and interventions which may be more effective in helping the child access learning.

This one day course takes place on **Wednesday 13 February 2008 at the Boship Farm Hotel** following a well received series of twilight training sessions. It is jointly presented by Theresa Bolton , Educational Psychologist and Play Therapist and Sarah Pullen, Art Psychotherapist and Primary Mental Health Worker

For more details, or to apply, please contact Anne Turpin on 01424 720702 or email anne.turpin@eastsussex.gov.uk

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