

## LINKS

### Disability information

- [www.surreycc.gov.uk/directory](http://www.surreycc.gov.uk/directory)
- [www.sendadvice.surrey.org.uk](http://www.sendadvice.surrey.org.uk)
- [www.familyvoicesurrey.org](http://www.familyvoicesurrey.org)
- [www.autism.org.uk](http://www.autism.org.uk)

### Mental health / Relationships

- [www.youngminds.org.uk](http://www.youngminds.org.uk)
- [www.kooth.com](http://www.kooth.com)
- [www.relate.org.uk](http://www.relate.org.uk)
- [www.surreydrugandalcohol.com](http://www.surreydrugandalcohol.com)

### Safeguarding / Internet safety

- [www.childnet.com](http://www.childnet.com)
- [www.nspcc.org.uk](http://www.nspcc.org.uk)

### Welfare rights

- [www.swru.org](http://www.swru.org)
- [www.citizensadvice.org.uk](http://www.citizensadvice.org.uk)

### Social activities

- [www.disability-challengers.org](http://www.disability-challengers.org)
- [www.linkable.org.uk](http://www.linkable.org.uk)
- [www.ymcaeastssurrey.org.uk/disability](http://www.ymcaeastssurrey.org.uk/disability)
- [www.halowproject.org.uk](http://www.halowproject.org.uk)

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Issues might arise in discussion with your child's Class Teacher who may refer to me to follow up.



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**GOSDEN HOUSE SCHOOL**

## Home/School Link Worker



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## History

Gosden House was one of the first schools in Surrey to directly employ someone in this role.

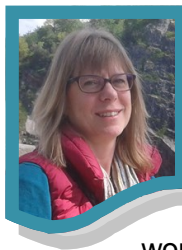
As long ago as 2000, the development of the post was agreed as it reflected the school's motto of "Children First, People Matter."

It was believed that, in order to reach their educational potential, all children and especially Gosden students, require support to meet the needs of the "whole" child and reduce barriers to learning.



To support the child; promote partnership with families as well as the many other agencies involved with Gosden students and their often complex needs, the role of the Home/School Link Worker was conceived.

## Who is the HSLW ?



My name is Annie Welch. I have worked in children and family settings for over 30 years, having a few years out of the workplace to care for my own two children in their infancy.

Over the years I have, through training and experience, developed knowledge and skills in many approaches that support children and families. These include guidance and advocacy for parents on behavioural issues and welfare as well as providing individual or group work to promote the emotional wellbeing of our students.

Much of my role involves liaison with or signposting to other key agencies such as Health; Children's Services; Voluntary and Charity organisations etc. I use a "toolbox" of skills and interventions creatively in my work, and have learned a great deal from Gosden House children, families and colleagues.

## Examples of interventions/ responsibilities

- Individual child or family support
- Play and counseling
- Resource finding /signposting/ referral
- Coordination/attendance at multi agency meetings,
- Close liaison with Teachers, SALT, OT etc.
- Resilience workshops-transition
- Safeguarding liaison/training/ policy review
- Nurture Group development and support.
- Early Help Assessments
- Supervision support to Confederation HSLW colleagues.

