



## **Children Looked After (CLA)**

### Introduction

Members of staff at Knowles Primary School understand that for some children, living at home with their immediate family isn't always possible and are in the care of the Local Authority. These children will have experienced some upheaval or trauma in their life. There will always be some children that for whatever reason need to be in the care of the local authority, ensuring that a child's development and well-being continues to be met.

At Knowles Primary School we also have children that may be in the care of another adult, not their biological parents. These may fall under Adoption, Special Guardianship Orders or Foster care.

### What do we do to help close the gap?

Knowles Primary School liaises with the Virtual School Headteacher to help and support closing the academic gap for children looked after.

We do this by:

- Collecting and monitoring data for CLA;
- Monitoring and reporting expenditure for CLA including Pupil Premium;
- Ensuring well-being of the children is supported and nurtured with Learning Mentor intervention where appropriate.