

# children and family action

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Thank you for contacting Children and Family Action.

Children and Family Action is a registered charity that organises mentoring for vulnerable five to eleven year olds who are at risk of developing anti-social or criminal offending behaviour later in life. Typically, these children are struggling with difficulties such as poor concentration, inadequate social skills, hyperactivity and/or an inability to make friends or get on well with adults. Many of them also have to cope with other problems such as insufficient parental supervision, neglect, poverty and/or exclusion from school.

In conjunction with Chance UK we are delivering an innovative child mentoring programme which has proven to be extremely successful in other areas of the UK.

The volunteers who mentor the children are carefully trained for, and supported in, their work.

Each volunteer mentor works directly with a child for two to four hours a week for one year. Mentor training courses are held locally. Each three-day course, which takes place on three consecutive Saturdays, offers prospective mentors the chance to learn more about our work and to acquire the skills needed to begin mentoring a child. Once a volunteer has started mentoring, he or she meets up with a Children and Family Action programme manager once a month, to reflect on progress made, to plan future mentoring sessions and to receive support.

**Mentoring a child is a big responsibility. After reading the enclosed material, please consider carefully whether becoming a mentor with Children and Family Action is right for you. In return for our considerable investment in you, we expect your whole-hearted commitment to see the programme through to its end.**

Before registering for our mentor training course, it is important to ask yourself why you want to become a mentor. Are you a good role model who can engage successfully with a vulnerable child? Are you willing to take on the many challenges that being a mentor can bring? Can you commit, on average, two to four hours a week to a child for a whole year?

To register for our mentor training course, please complete and return the enclosed application form. Once your application has been processed, we will contact you with details of our next available training course.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me on **01964 611306** or by email on [\*\*kclark@familyaction.org.uk\*\*](mailto:kclark@familyaction.org.uk).

Yours sincerely,

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