#### Other people who can help you



Telephone: 0800 085 6239 | SMS Text: 07800 618 911

#### ChildLine

A special 24-hour helpline for children who are in trouble or at risk of being hurt or abused. Freephone: 0800 1111 | Web: www.childline.org.uk.

#### **Pupiline**

A website set up by teenagers for teenagers and provides information and useful links on a range of issues including bullying. You can find out more by visiting www.pupiline.net.

#### **NSPCC**

If you are experiencing a bad time at home, being bullied at school, or if you are worried or scared about something, you can contact the NSPCC on:
Telephone: 0800 800 5000 | Web: www.nspcc.org.uk

如果你需要他人為你解釋這小冊子/單張的內容,我們可以提供免費的傳譯服務,請致電 0161 477 9000 史托波特傳譯部。

W przypadku gdybyś potrzebował pomocy odnośnie tej broszurki/ulotki, dostępne są usługi tłumaczeniowe. Prosimy dzwonić do Interpreting Unit pod numer 0161 477 9000.

যদি এই পুস্তিকা/প্রচার পত্রটি সম্পর্কে আপনার কোন সাহায্য দরকার হয় তবে বিনা খরচে আপনার জন্য দোভাষীর ব্যবস্থা করা হতে পারে। মেহেরবানী করে স্টকপোর্ট ইন্টারপ্রিটিং ইউনিটে ফোন করুন টেলিফোন নম্বর, 0161 477 9000.

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If English is not your first language, an interpreter who is someone who can speak your first language, can be arranged to help you talk to us.

## Not living at home?

Don't worry, lots of children live in what we call a private Fostering arrangement and we're here to help.





# Have you been living with someone who is not your close relative For more than a month?

If so, then you are a privately fostered child.

#### What is private Fostering?

Sometimes your mum or dad (or other very close relative) asks someone to look after you for a while.

This person won't be part of your family so they won't be your grandparents, brother or sister, your aunty or uncle or your step-parents. They'll most likely be a family friend, neighbour or distant relative.

This is a private fostering arrangement and Children's Social Care need to know so they can make sure you are happy and being kept safe and healthy.

#### Am I a Foster child?

No. Fostering is for children and young people who are in the care of the local authority as they cannot live with their parents.

You are being privately fostered because your parents have asked someone they know to look after you for a bit.

## So I am a privately fostered child. Who needs to Know?

We know your parents have made this arrangement with people who care for you and want the best for you - because we also care about you, Children's Social Care need to check that when you're not with your parents, you're kept safe, healthy and happy in the private fostering arrangement.

#### Let us Know -We're here to help

We need you to let us know about this arrangement, so if you have any questions or concerns you can call the Contact Centre on:

0161 217 6028

or email us at cyp@stockport.gov.uk



### What should my private Foster carers do For me?

Your private foster carers should always look after you like your parents or other close relatives would. They will:

- Give you regular meals and clean clothes.
- Make sure you have your own bed.
- Make sure you go to school.
- Take you to the dentist, doctor or hospital when you need to go.
- Help you enjoy sports and hobbies.
- Help you stay in touch with your family.
- Help you follow any religion or customs that are important to you.

#### Just checking you're OK.

Once you, your parents or carers have called us, a social worker will come to visit to make sure everything is OK and that you are happy with the arrangement.

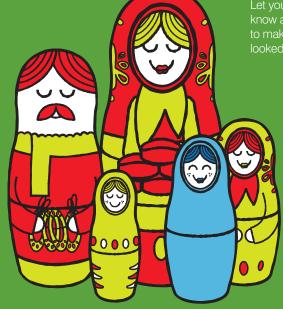
The social worker will also speak to your parents, carers and maybe your teacher so they can make sure you are getting everything you need.

#### If you're not OK.

If anything is bothering you about your private fostering arrangement, then speak to your social worker or someone you can trust, maybe a teacher or a doctor and they will help you with your problems.

## I have a Friend who I think is being privately Fostered.

Let your teacher or someone you trust know and ask them to speak to your friend to make sure they are OK and are being looked after properly.



Why not try the private fostering quiz at: www.privatefostering.org