# OAT Outreach Team Secondary Support





Ormiston Secondary Outreach offers in-school support for children whose behaviour is a cause for concern. We work with children who are at risk of permanent exclusion or where SEMH (social emotional mental health) is impacting behaviour.

Interventions are delivered by a specialist behaviour and SEMH teacher. The work undertaken is bespoke to each child. The aim is to support all children to be successful within the mainstream context.

Schools can refer individuals or small groups from Year 7 to Year 11. This service is for early intervention and support, as this is when we can have the biggest impact. Referrals at crisis point will also be accepted. Intervention packages are 6 to 8 weeks in duration with mid and end of intervention reviews.

### What support is included:

- Information gathering to identify suitable intervention.
- Child voice.
- One-to-one/small group sessions with children on a weekly basis
- Reflective work with children to understand the factors that may impact their behaviour.
- Developing skills e.g. social skills.
- Helping children to develop an understanding of school systems and expectations such as rules and routines.
- Monitoring progress.

## The referral process and support outline

- 1. School completes outreach intervention request form
- 2: Outreach team contact school and parent/carer to arrange initial meeting
- **3: Initial meeting and information gathering** identifies key areas for support and outlines bespoke intervention plan including timeframe.
- **4: Weekly mentoring sessions** are provided onsite (up to 8 weeks)
- **5: Mid and endpoint reviews** scheduled and completed.
- **6: Final intervention report** submitted to all stakeholders.

#### **Academic Year figures: 2022-23**

- There were 40 referrals 53% male 47% female
- 9/11 H&F secondary schools engaged with the service.
- 100% schools who used the service rated it highly effective.
- 95% of children referred maintained a mainstream place.



#### Contact us

The outreach team work peripatetically and are based at:

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Referrals should be completed and sent to the outreach team via SharePoint, https://www.oatnet.co.uk/outreach.html.

For enquiries regarding secondary outreach, please contact Natalie Wright on 07483 399 5727 or nwright2@obramail.co.uk.

#### Feedback from learners and school staff

"There has been a marked and measured improvement in the attitude and attendance of all the students involved. I would recommend (Secondary Outreach's) mentoring sessions without reservation to 11-19 education providers"

Assistant head and head of KS4 from a Hammersmith and Fulham secondary school

"(Secondary Outreach Team) has helped me overcome my anxieties and stresses and insecurities and every time I have a session with her, I come out happier and in a way better mood. I also overcame self-harm and suicidal thoughts"

Year 11 child from Hammersmith and Fulham School

"I've found (secondary) outreach very helpful as it helped me to improve, and notice errors in my attitude, responses to things/people as more tolerant and patient. It provides an opportunity for me to reflect and look back at my behaviour and helps to think responsibly"

Year 9 child from Hammersmith and Fulham School

