

## **A one minute guide on Previously Looked After Children (PLAC)**

Since September 2018 the Virtual School has had a duty to promote the educational achievement of Previously Looked After Children (PLAC). Those children who are no longer looked after by a local authority because they are subject of an adoption, special guardianship or child arrangement order. This role is through the provision of information, advice and guidance to their parents/guardians and schools. This duty is for children who are educated in Telford and Wrekin.

### **What might providing information, advice and guidance look like?**

- Providing advice and information to frequently asked questions online
- Providing advice to individual parents/carers and schools where they have a query
- Advising schools on how they can support previously looked after children
- Advising schools on how to best use pupil premium plus (PP+) funding to support previously looked after children.
- Providing advice and guidance to school as part of Designated Teacher Updates
- Providing CPD opportunities to schools to support PLAC

### **What this means:**

**High Quality School places** – we will offer you information and advice for you to seek the best school place to meet your child’s needs

**Professional Development and Support** – we will support, advise and train designated teachers in school; we will support school staff to be attachment and trauma aware; we will provide information and advice to schools and other professionals to support and develop effective practice

**Partnerships** – we will work with a number of key professional partners to ensure your child’s needs are met