



Eastry Church of England Primary School

Family Liaison Officer (FLO) - Tracey Thomas

My name is Tracey Thomas and I am the Family Liaison Officer, known to many as the FLO. My role is to work in partnership with families to ensure children have the best possible chance to make full use of the educational opportunities in school. I can offer support on a range of issues which might affect you and your children and can also sign post parents to other services outside of the school which may be of help.

I can offer a listening ear and if you have concerns that need to be addressed I can make sure that any information is shared and dealt with confidentially for the benefit of your child.

We are keen for parents, carers and grandparents to feel part of the school community and so I also coordinate activities for families to join in with.

**Coffee Mornings** - These are held once a month and the dates are included in the School newsletter. The Coffee Mornings are a chance for parents, grandparents and carers to get together over a cuppa and a piece of cake. They are friendly and welcoming and we sometimes have special guests such as the School Nurse, the Community Warden or the school SENCO.

**Courses for Parents** - These are available in school to support parents to help their children with home learning. This year we are running the Flying Start Course for Key Stage 1 and Keeping Up With The Children Maths and English. These courses also help parents to understand current methods of teaching as for many of us, these have changed since we went to school. So far there has been very positive feedback from the people who have attended and they have told us that the courses were also good fun and a great way of meeting of other parents

If you are interested in joining one of these courses, look out for the posters in school and the dates are also included in the School Newsletter.

If you would like to contact me, I am in school on Monday, Wednesdays and Friday mornings and you will usually see me in the Playground at drop off time on these days. At other times if you leave me a message at the office, I will get back to you as soon as I am next in school.

I look forward to meeting you and please do not hesitate to contact me if you think I could be of help.

Tracey Thomas  
Family Liaison Officer

### Useful Links

Parenting Website - A new parenting website has been launched offering positive parenting advice, family fun ideas and an opportunity for mums and dads to swap their best tips and advice. [www.nspc.org.uk](http://www.nspc.org.uk)

Information Advice and Support Kent - A service for Special Educational Needs and Disabilities - helping you to make informed choices.

(formerly Kent Parent Partnership Service)

Helpline 03000 41 3000

Email [iask@kent.gov.uk](mailto:iask@kent.gov.uk)

Website [www.kent.gov.uk/iask](http://www.kent.gov.uk/iask)

Family Lives is a useful website which has a range of advice, news and leaflets on family relationships, behaviour, health and wellbeing.

[www.familylives.org.uk](http://www.familylives.org.uk)

Supporting Bereaved Children - Winstons Wish is a registered Charity which offers support and advice to bereaved families.

[www.winstonswish.org.uk](http://www.winstonswish.org.uk)