

# SUPPORTING SERVICE CHILDREN IN EDUCATION WALES

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The SSCE Cymru mission is to provide the best possible educational support to Service children in Wales.

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### Service children experiences

#### May include:

- Separation from parent(s) during deployment/training
- Frequent school and home moves
- Missing curriculum content/duplicating curriculum content
- Making friends
- Adapting to different curriculums
- Living in different countries and experiences new cultures
- Learning a new language
- Missing friends and family
- Parent(s) transitioning out of the Armed Forces.

## **Definition of a Service Child**

The Welsh Government definition of a Service child: A 'Service child' has parent(s) – or person(s) with exercising parental responsibility – who is/are Service personnel:

- In HM Regular Armed Forces
- In full commitment as part of the full-time Reserve service
- Is a veteran who has been in service within the last two years
- One of their parents died whilst serving in the Armed Forces and the pupil receives a pension under the Armed Forces Compensation Scheme or the War Pensions Scheme.

SSCE Cymru also encourages schools and education settings to consider identifying and supporting Service children that fall outside of this definition, but have a connection to the Armed Forces.

I'm proud about what my parents do. 11

I've been to four schools and moved six times.,, You have hundreds of friends in different places.

#### **SSCE Cymru resources**

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- School Toolkit and Tools
- Service Family Guide
- Good practice examples (films and case studies)
- · Service children's experiences films
- · Data on Service children in Wales
- Learning Welsh information
- Funding guidance
- · Directory of support
- Newsletters
- · Research findings:
  - School survey
  - · Listening to our Service children
  - Parent survey
  - Service children with ALN report.

## SSCE Cymru Regional School Liaison Officers (RSLOs)

The RSLOs run CPD sessions every month for schools/educators, to develop their understanding of Service children's experiences and the support available.

RSLOs can support schools with:

- Utilising the SSCE Cymru School Toolkit and Tools
- Understanding the experiences of Service children
- Running Service children discussion groups
- Identifying and sharing good practice
- Making connections with the Armed Forces community
- Accessing funding to support Service children.





