

Goddard Park Community Primary School

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a second home



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Dawn Mobey lives in Park South with her three children. Dawn was widowed six years ago and since that time has received help and support from Goddard Park Community Primary School, an integrated Children's Centre.

ISOLATED IN GRIEF

Following the death of her husband, Dawn understandably became withdrawn and isolated. But... "once I'd made the effort to get out, I was glad I had chosen to go to the Community School. My first impression was of a welcoming, friendly atmosphere, and that feeling hasn't changed all the time I've been going...it's no exaggeration to say that it was a lifeline for me."

MOVING ON

"I did a literacy and numeracy course so I could help the children with their work (and) I managed to stop smoking through the weekly clinic."

Dawn has also gained an NVQ2 in childcare, and is shortly going to start Level 3. "I have been helping to run the mother and toddler sessions and the Breakfast Club, and having a recognised qualification means I'll be able to do more in that way."

FAMILY SUPPORT FROM PERSONAL EXPERIENCE

Dawn is also now a family support worker. "Being able to do something for parents in some way is very satisfying. Because I live so close to the Community School, people know me and know that I understand when they are going through, and I'm pleased that I can help."