

## **TaPPaS for Secondary Schools**

### **What is TaPPaS?**

TAPPAS is a Team around the Parent Pupil and Setting.

It is comprised of a core group of multi-agency professionals who support schools and families to meet the emotional wellbeing and mental health (EWBMH) needs of children and young people.

### **What have we done so far?**

In 2020 – 2021, Carmarthenshire Behaviour Services and Educational and Child Psychology Service ran a successful pilot project across Carmarthenshire Secondary Schools. Four TaPPaS meetings were held across the academic year in each school with the aim of focusing schools' attention on the Whole School Approach to Emotional Wellbeing and on prioritising children for wellbeing intervention and support.

### **Taking TaPPaS forward**

It has been agreed that TaPPaS meetings will now continue to develop and form part of Carmarthenshire's strategic approach to meeting the emotional wellbeing needs of pupils. It is now expected that all secondary schools will conduct TaPPaS meetings with their core partner agencies, namely Educational and Child Psychology Service (ECPS), Behaviour Support Community Team (BSCT), School Safeguarding and Attendance Team (SSAT), Youth Service (YS) and Team around the Family (TAF).