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Dear Colleagues

The Evelina London school nursing service is working hard to raise the school nurse profile both within our local schools and the wider community. We hope to improve access to early help and support for health issues and concerns for young people.

The service is harnessing the use of digital technology and have two digital platforms for young people and their parents and carers to use to get confidential advice and support about child health related issues. These include: emotional health, bedwetting, keeping healthy, sleep, dental health, growing up, support with medical conditions in school, and a range of adolescent topics.

**ChatHealth** is a messaging service for young people to receive confidential advice about health related issues. It's for young people attending secondary school or living in Lambeth and Southwark aged 11-19 years. Since launching in October 2016 we have received over 2000 messages from young people.

**ParentLine** is a messaging service for parents and carers of school aged children in Lambeth and Southwark. Parents and carers can message a school nurse to get confidential advice about their child's health related issues. Since launching in December 2017 we have received over 190 messages from parents and carers.

Working together with schools to promote our service will improve our ability to reach more of the population we can support, with their physical and emotional health needs. We would be most appreciative if you would be willing to advertise these services on your school's website.

If you would like to advertise our services please use the wording attached, on your school website. You are also welcome to use the attached image/s but please don't use the images without the wording.

If you have any questions or you require clarification, please contact do hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Denise Phillips', written over a horizontal line.

Denise Phillips: Community Matron - School Nursing