Young Carers in Schools Award Programme
To start with we would like to say a huge thank you to all of the schools who have already shown so much determination, dedication and support to help influence and change the experiences of young carers in schools for the better. This thank you comes as we approach the 1 year anniversary of our involvement in the Young Carers in Schools programme. In just 12 months, 12 schools have been awarded with their bronze award, 2 schools have been awarded with silver and 4 more schools have applied for their award across Cambridgeshire and Peterborough. We have successfully hosted two breakfast networking sessions; which has helped to promote collaborative working amongst schools to help put young carers on the map in Cambridgeshire and Peterborough.

Young Carers in Schools accept applications for awards every half-term so who’s ready to ‘go for gold’? Contact Tania Bingham to find out more.

Aviva Community Fund 2016
The Aviva Community Fund gives out funding to local projects that are making a positive change in their community. We’ve applied for funding in the supporting the younger generation category and, if successful, we will use the money to offer young carers a break in 2017, offering young carers time for ‘me’. We would be so grateful if you could share as wide as possible; each person has 10 votes once they register. Search for Carers Trust Cambridgeshire to cast your votes via www.aviva.co.uk/community-fund

Young Carers/ Young Adult Carers Christmas Campaign
Our Christmas campaign was so successful last year, that this year we have come back bigger and better; we will be fundraising for young carers and young adult carers in Cambridgeshire by selling handmade Christmas decorations and cards, these will be available to buy directly from us. In addition to this we were kindly awarded with some funds to buy young carers selection boxes and to put together hampers, if you can think of a young carer and their family who are in need this Christmas you can nominate them to receive a hamper. DHL will also be helping to wrap and deliver hampers. Send your nomination to Alice.Boon@carerstrustcambridgeshire.org

‘Who do you think you are?’ Young Carer Awareness Day 2017 – Thursday 26th January
We are calling out to all young carers and young adult carers to hear your story, whether you are just starting your journey as a young carer or young adult carer, or whether you used to be a young carer we would love to hear from you! In order to capture the changing experiences of the role of an unpaid young carer you can send us in your story via video diary, case study or voice note. Young Carers and young adult carers are an under represented group and our aim is to not only celebrate the roles of young carers and young adult carers but also to help us influence policy makers in education, health and social care to ensure young carers and young adult carers are not negatively impacted by their caring role. Please also encourage staff and students in your organisation to come forward. Send your story to Tania Bingham.

Dates for your diary
- Britain’s Best Breakfast
  Autumn/Winter event – October-February
- Carers Rights Day – Friday 25th November
- Young Carers in Schools Breakfast Networking Session
  Monday 5th December 9am-11am
  Unit 4, Meadow Park, Meadow Lane, St Ives, PE27 4LG Contact Tania to book your place tania.bingham@carerstrustcambridgeshire.org
- Young Carer Awareness Day
  Thursday 26th January 2017

Many thanks for your continued support,

Tania
Carers Trust Cambridgeshire
Tania.bingham@carerstrustcambridgeshire.org
07720 343401