



 Support and Friendship for Family 



Home-Start - Home Visiting Support for Families *Parents support parents with friendship*



Home-Start started in UK in 1973 and spreading 22 countries now. In Japan, over 100 local schemes have been providing more than 80,000 home visiting supports with 2,700 volunteers.

Home-Start supports any family where there is at least one child under the age of six. Our support is free, confidential and non-judgemental.

Home-Start aims to increase the confidence and independence of the family by;

- ♥ Offering support, friendship and practical assistance
- ♥ Visiting families in their own homes, where the dignity and identity of each adult and child can be respected and protected
- ♥ Reassuring parents that difficulties in bringing up children are not unusual and encouraging them to enjoy family life
- ♥ Developing a relationship with the family in which time can be shared and understanding can be developed: the approach is flexible to take account of different needs
- ♥ Encouraging parents' strengths and emotional well-being for the ultimate benefit of their children
- ♥ Encouraging families to widen their network of relationships and to use effectively the support and services available within the community

Role of HS Home Visitors;

- ① Visiting to a family with at least one child under 6
- ② Visiting by Volunteers
- ③ Visiting once a week in 2 hours (4 - 6 times)
- ④ Not serving as a baby-sitter, nor housekeeper
- ⑤ Offering the service to families; friendly, approachable, trustworthy, listening, committed and reliable

Role of HS Organizers;

Supporting and Supervising Home Visitors by Assessment, Monitoring and Evaluation.

