

Emma's journey into care wasn't easy.

Emma was facing neglect from her vulnerable mother and came into our care in the middle of the night.

She couldn't read, write, or hold a knife and fork properly. She didn't go to school, see anybody outside the home, or even leave her room. Our dedicated team started by speaking to her through her door, reading her stories and helping her feel safe.

After two years of unwavering support, Emma started to change. We decided not to pressure her about school but to nurture a relationship where she felt safe and cared for. We believe in building relationships and trust by creating happy, shared experiences.

In the summer, we flooded the home with activities to encourage Emma to come out of her room. When she joined in with an outing to crazy golf, her transformation began. Then, in September, Emma returned to school.

She began to flourish. We took her on various holidays, creating treasured memories she'd never dreamed of. These experiences had a positive impact on Emma's education, and she amazingly achieved three A-Levels this year.

Afterwards, when Emma found a job and left our care, we gave her a memory box full of photos and souvenirs – a treasure trove of cherished memories.

Emma's childhood was traumatic, but with continuous support, she left our care as a happy young woman with a bright future ahead. The staff who accompanied her on this journey were there from the beginning, and that consistency made all the difference.

Please help us to ensure that other children can experience the same transformative care to unlock their potential by donating what you can using the attached donation form. Your generosity means the world to us and young people like Emma. **Thank you.**

