

“My wife and I are getting very tired of people calling round to ask us questions and to see Wasim...



Mabina does a very good job with him, she is an excellent mother and he wants for nothing. We have a beautiful house - you can see that!

I am never there when the Health Visitor calls...but I understand that she asks lots of questions - I don't like that...we are very private people.

Wasim is fine, he is usually asleep by the time I get in but I see him at weekends and he does not cry...he is a quiet, well behaved boy. He does not speak yet, but I am not worried about that - he will do things in his own time.

I don't particularly want Wasim mixing with the other children in this town, we made a mistake by moving here - the house is fantastic but we don't have anything in common with the people here. We will move at some point in the future - probably when Wasim is due to start school. There are some good schools in London, and we would prefer to be there, nearer our families, but the prices are out of our reach at the moment.

If my wife or my son needed something...I would provide it. It is my job to make sure that Mabina has everything she needs and I do that.

I work hard and long hours, but the pay off is that I bring home a good wage..."

Saleem Akhtar's story

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