

SAFEGUARDING STATEMENT

Keeping our children safe

At the Raleigh Federation we strongly recognise the need for vigilant awareness of safeguarding issues. All staff have received appropriate training and induction so that they understand their roles and responsibilities and are confident about carrying them out. Staff, pupils, parents and governors feel secure that they can raise any issues or concerns about the safety or welfare of children and know that they will be listened to and taken seriously. This is achieved by maintaining an ethos of safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people. At our school we are not afraid to challenge each other to keep our children safe.

We all have a safeguarding responsibility and have a duty to refer any safeguarding issues to external agencies that need to be involved.

SAFEGUARDING IS EVERYONE'S RESPONSIBILITY

At the Raleigh Federation we are committed to ensuring that all children are safe during their time with us. Our safeguarding covers many aspects including:

- Recruiting staff and volunteers
- Allowing visitors into the school
- Checking attendance and following up any low attendance
- Ensuring play-times are safe and enjoyable for all pupils
- Educating our pupils about bullying, on line safety, staying safe in the community, drug and alcohol awareness and health education
- Training staff and volunteers

Our Safeguarding Policy can be found on the school website in the policies section.

The Level 3 Safeguarding members of staff are:

Peter Halford – Executive Headteacher – 01395 568326 / 443871

Claire Appleby – Drake's Primary School – 01395 443871

Beky Stannard – Otterton Primary School – 01395 568326

Anne Whiteford – Otterton Primary School – 01395 568326

What do I do if I am worried about a child?

If you become concerned about:

- Something a child says
- Marks or bruising on a child
- Changes in a child's behaviour or demeanour

You must inform the Designated Safeguarding Lead. This can be done by contacting the school office.

Types of harm

EVERYBODY has a responsibility to keep all children under the age of 18 safe and this applies to both home and school environment. Harm is identified in four ways:

- **Physical** – This is when a child is deliberately hurt or injured
- **Sexual** – This is when a child is influenced or forced to take part in sexual activity. This can be physical or non-physical such as offences committed over the internet.
- **Emotional** – This is when a child is made to feel frightened or worthless or unloved. This could include shouting, using threats or making fun of someone.
- **Neglect** – This is when a child is not being taken care of by someone who has responsibility for them such as a poor diet or poor hygiene.

Staff Conduct

If you are concerned about the conduct of a member of staff following an observation or disclosure then immediately inform the Headteacher. Please maintain confidentiality. If you are unable to contact the Headteacher contact the Chair of Governors via the School office. Or, speak to the LADO (Local Area Designated Officer) 01392 384964

USEFUL LINKS:

www.nspcc.org.uk/

www.childline.org.uk

www.operationcompass.org.uk

DfE Child Exploitation Guidance

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/child-sexual-exploitation-definition-and-guide-for-practitioners>

Devon Safeguarding Children's Board

<https://www.dcfp.org.uk/>

Child Exploitation and Online Protection

<https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/>

Anti-Bullying Alliance

<https://www.anti-bullyingalliance.org.uk/>

CEOP Police

<https://www.ceop.police.uk/safety-centre/>

NSPCC Online Safety

<https://www.nspcc.org.uk/preventing-abuse/keeping-children-safe/online-safety/>

HAVE YOU SEEN SOME OF OUR SAFEGUARDING POSTERS AROUND SCHOOL?

SAFEGUARDING

We are committed to the safety and happiness of our students.

If you are feeling upset or unsafe, if you are worried about a friend or family member or if something doesn't feel right, please contact our safeguarding leads who are:



Peter Halford – Designated Safeguarding Lead



Claire Appleby – Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead



Beky Stannard – Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead

If you are worried, tell someone!

In an emergency dial 999.

**For advice outside school times, ring the NSPCC on 0800 800 500
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For consultation and enquiries please contact:

Telephone: **0345 155 1071**

E-mail: mashsecure@devon.gcsx.gov.uk

Fax: 01392 448951

Referral Form available at:

www.devon.gov.uk/mash-enquiryform.doc

Post: **Multi-Agency Safeguarding Hub, P.O. Box 723, Exeter EX1 9QS**

Emergency Duty Team – out of hours
0845 6000 388

Police – non emergency – 101

