



Child Protection Policy

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The Safeguarding Policy is available at the reception, the school website and "All School Staff"

When and what might I be concerned about?

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At any time you may be concerned about information which suggests a child is being neglected or experiencing physical, emotional or sexual harm:



What should I do if a child discloses that s/he is being harmed?

1 Listen

Listen carefully, do not interrupt.

2 Reassure

Reassure the pupil that it is not their fault.

Stress that it was the right thing to tell.

Be calm, attentive and non-judgemental.

Ask non-leading questions.

Do not promise to keep it as a secret

3 Inform

Inform your DSL/Deputy DSL.

4 Record

Make a written record, sign and date it.

5 Pass

Pass the record to the DSL/Deputy DSL

How do I ensure my behaviour is always appropriate?

- If your concern is about a staff member or volunteer, you should report this to the Head Teacher
- If your concern is about the Head Teacher, you should report to the Chair of Governors.

What should I do if the alleged abuser is a member of the school staff?

Please ask a member of the Senior Leadership Team for school guidance regarding Safer Working Practice. The DFE have also produced guidance entitled *Working Together to Safeguard Children*.

!) This publication can be found on the Hertfordshire Grid for Learning (www.thegrid.org.uk).

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It's free and you don't have to say who you are

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