



### **PARTNERSHIP**

We will inform parents and carers of any concerns about your child (providing it does not compromise the child's safety) and will help support them as necessary.

### **PREVENTION**

We will take positive action to prevent children from suffering abuse and neglect through the development of an open culture that informs children of their rights and encourages them to speak about any concerns. Pupils will also learn about keeping themselves safe within the curriculum.

### **RESPONDING TO CONCERNS**

We will refer all allegations or concerns that a child has been or is likely to be abused or neglected to Social Care within the Children's Services Department. We will consult with other agencies when there are concerns that a child may have been abused or neglected. We will discuss with parents and carers any concerns they have about children. Parents and carers will be kept informed of what has happened.

### **CHILD ON CHILD ABUSE**

Physical and emotional abuse of children by other children will be dealt with through the school's anti-bullying policy. Parents and carers will be kept informed. All concerns about possible sexual abuse will be referred to Social Care.

### **CHILD PROTECTION CONFERENCES**

We will attend conferences and provide information about children and families. This information will be shared with parents and carers beforehand. We will keep confidential child protection records separately from a pupil's academic and other school records.

### **CONFIDENTIALITY**

Information from parents about possible child abuse cannot be kept confidential. Information and records about children on the Child Protection Register will be given only to those people who need it and will be kept strictly confidential by them.

A full copy of the school's Safeguarding Policy is available on the school website.



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**Fawbert & Barnard's  
Primary School**

**Parent Friendly Safeguarding  
Leaflet**

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## OVERVIEW

This leaflet reflects the values and philosophy of Fawbert & Barnard's in relation to safeguarding.

We believe that all pupils should remain safe and free from harm. As such, we are committed to playing a full and active part in the multi-agency response to child protection concerns. Additionally, we as a school, have a legal duty to safeguard and promote the welfare of children and to have a Safeguarding Policy.

Staff at Fawbert & Barnard's have a day to day contact with pupils, and some direct work with families, which means that we have a crucial role to play in noticing signs of possible abuse or neglect. Parents and Carers need to be aware that if it appears to a member of staff that a child may have been abused, the school is required, as part of the local safeguarding procedure to report the concern to Social Care immediately. Therefore, to avoid any misunderstandings, parents and carers should inform the school immediately if their child sustains any accidental injuries that result in cuts, bruises or fractures.

## DEFINITIONS

**SAFEGUARDING:** Protecting children from maltreatment, preventing impairment of their health or development, ensuring they grow up in safe and effective care, and taking action to enable all children to have the best outcomes.

**CHILD PROTECTION:** It focuses on protecting individual children identified as suffering, or likely to suffer, significant harm.

## PRINCIPLES

- ◆ Children have a right to be safe, to be listened to, valued and respected
- ◆ Parents and Carers have a right to be informed of any concerns regarding their child
- ◆ Children are best protected when parents and school work together
- ◆ All staff and volunteers are given appropriate training and support
- ◆ All staff and volunteers are subject to rigorous recruitment checks

## PRINCIPLES INTO PRACTICE

In order to ensure children are effectively protected we ensure that:

- ◆ Our Safeguarding Team are all responsible for safeguarding and child protection. They are: Mrs Sophia Ovonlen (Headteacher); Mrs Caroline Derriman (Deputy Headteacher & SENCO); Mr Sam Mortimer (SLT, KS2 Phase Leader & Behaviour Lead); Mrs Lee De Howes (Learning Mentor); Mrs Jay Hutchinson (Office Manager)
- ◆ All staff are trained in Child Protection awareness annually
- ◆ A parent friendly and child friendly safeguarding leaflet are provided for children and their families
- ◆ The Safeguarding Policy is available on the school website
- ◆ The Safeguarding Policy is reviewed annually by the Governing Body
- ◆ The Governors oversee all matters pertaining to safeguarding policy and practice within the school
- ◆ Safeguarding reports are provided to the full governing body termly