

# Safeguarding pupils at Grendon CE Primary School: parents' guide

## Statutory requirements

Working Together to Safeguard Children (2015) requires all schools to follow the procedures for protecting children from abuse which are established by the Northamptonshire Safeguarding Children Board.

Keeping Children Safe In Education (DfE 2016) places several responsibilities on all schools, these include:

- *Appointing Designated Safeguarding Leads and providing them with the recognised additional training they need to provide support and guidance to all staff and members of the school community on safeguarding.*
- *Ensuring all staff are trained in safeguarding and understand their responsibilities in this area.*
- *Have robust reporting systems that are effective.*
- *Work with other agencies as needed to ensure children's safety, including the sharing of information where there is a genuine need to do so.*
- *To guarantee e-safety procedures are in place.*
- *To provide a secure and safe environment for children*

## Grendon CE Primary School will:

- *Establish and maintain an environment where pupils feel secure, are encouraged to talk, and are listened to when they have a worry or concern.*
- *Include within the PSHE and Computing curriculum opportunities for pupils to recognize and stay safe from potential risks.*
- *Establish and maintain an environment where school staff and volunteers feel safe, are encouraged to talk and are listened to when they have concerns about the safety and wellbeing of a child.*
- *Ensure pupils know that there are adults in school whom they can approach if they are worried.*
- *Record incidents of abuse, in line with statutory requirements, taking advice from MASH as needed.*
- *Undertake appropriate discussion with parents prior to involvement of another agency, unless to do so would place the child at further risk of harm.*
- *Work in partnership with other agencies to implement child protection; child in need or Early Help Assessments*

## As Parents you can help by:

- *Listening carefully to your children and letting us know of any concerns as soon as possible.*
- *Reinforcing safeguarding and e-safety messages at home.*
- *Following the school routines and requirements that support safeguarding.*
- *Being aware of the different types of abuse children can suffer:*
  - ✓ *Physical abuse*
  - ✓ *Emotional abuse*
  - ✓ *Sexual abuse*
  - ✓ *Neglect*

(Explanations of these terms and additional information on issues such as FGM and CSE can be found in our Child Protection Policy available on the website).

## Support Services

Multi-Agency Safeguarding Hub (M.A.S.H)

The Multi-Agency Safeguarding Hub (MASH) deals with referrals from professionals and members of the public who may have concerns about a child's welfare (following contact with the helpline that is now also based in the Multi-Agency Safeguarding Hub).

Telephone: 0300 126 1000

Email to:

MASH@northamptonshire.gcsx.gov.uk

## Any concerns?

If you have any concerns about any member of our school community, or you have questions about the information in this leaflet, please speak to one of our Designated Safeguarding Leads.

## Designated Safeguarding Leads

John Wayland – Head Teacher

Charlotte French – Deputy Head Teacher

## Safeguarding Governor

Julia Brown – Chair of Governors

## The Prevent Duty

As a school we also wish to protect our pupils from all forms of radicalization be it right wing extremism through to Islamic extremism. If you have any concerns about any pupils in this regard, please raise them in the same way as you would raise any other safeguarding issue.

## Further Information

Please refer to our Child Protection Policy (available on the school website or in the school office)

[www.grendonprimary.net](http://www.grendonprimary.net)

01933 663208

Additional guidance is available from:  
<http://www.northamptonshirescb.org.uk>