

HOLY TRINITY CHURCH OF ENGLAND PRIMARY SCHOOL SAFEGUARDING CHILDREN



Our prime responsibility is to ensure that all children are safe. Safeguarding can be defined as:

“The process of protecting children from abuse or neglect, preventing impairment of their health and development and ensuring they are growing up in circumstances consistent with the provision of safe and effective care that enables children to have optimum life chances and enter adulthood successfully.”

School plays an important role in this. At Holy Trinity Primary School, we have policies / procedures for:

Child Protection, Behaviour, Online Safety, Visits, Incident Management, Risk Assessment, Allegations of Abuse, Child Absconding, Information Sharing, Medical Needs and Supervision.

A copy of our Child Protection Policy is available in the school office, the staff room and on the school website.

If you have a concern, please use **MyConcern** to record it and if you consider a child at immediate risk, please speak to the safeguarding officer immediately. MyConcern can be found on all computers or by searching online. MyConcern logins and passwords are available from the DSL.



Designated Safeguarding Lead: Rebecca Mackenzie (HT)

Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead / Online Safety Lead: Benjamin Gorner-Patel (AHT)

Deputy Safeguarding Leads: Tash Salmon, Tracey Thomas, Chantelle Sandiford



Ms R. Mackenzie



Mr B. Gorner-Patel



Ms T. Salmon



Ms T. Thomas



Ms C. Sandiford

It is important to avoid any coaching of a child during a disclosure.

- A. **Listen** to the child, rather than directly questioning him or her.
- B. **Never stop a child who is freely recalling significant events.**
- C. **Make a note of the discussion after speaking to the child, making sure that you record the time, setting and personnel present as well as what was said.**



Other information numbers:

Hackney MASH (Multi-Agency Safeguarding Hub) team - **020 8356 5500**

Police – **999** (Call **101** for non-emergency enquiries)

Local Authority Designated Officer (LADO) - **020 8356 456**

