



Safeguarding Statement

In St. Joseph's Catholic Primary School, we take the welfare of our children very seriously whether this is in school or out of school. We are committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of our children and we expect all staff, volunteers and visitors to share this commitment.

We aim to do this by:

- Providing a safe environment to learn
- Identifying children who are suffering or likely to suffer significant harm and taking appropriate action, with the aim of keeping them safe both at home and at school.

To achieve these aims we:

- Have procedures to help prevent unsuitable people from working with the children
- Promote safe practice and challenge any poor or unsafe practice
- Identify instances where there are grounds for concern about a child's welfare and initiate or take appropriate action to keep them safe
- Contribute to effective partnership working between all those involved in providing services for our children

We have a number of safeguarding measures in place including the following:

A Safeguarding Statement Safeguarding Policies (General & child Protection) A Safer Recruitment Policy

All Health & Safety and Medical related policies

These may be found on our website.

We consider a number of our other policies have shared child protection responsibilities:

Allegations Against Staff or Volunteers	Fireworks	Pupil Handover at End of Day
Anti-Bullying + Charter	Food	Race Equality
Anaphylaxis	Good Behaviour	Railway Safety
Asthma	Health & Safety	Risk Assessments
Attendance	Health & Safety in Science & Technology	Road Safety
Bomb Threat	Hot Drinks	Safeguarding Adverse Disclosure Form
Boundary Policy	Information for Supply Teachers	Sickle Cell
Candle Policy	Intimate Care	Single Equalities and Action Plan
Confidentiality	Jewellery	Smoke Free
CCTV	Lift Safety	Special Educational Needs and Disability
Diabetes	Medical Needs	SRE
Drug Education	Missing Children DfE Document	Statements of Relevance
Drug Incident	Missing Child During the Day P&P	SunSmart + poster
Educational Visits + Helper Guidance	Pastoral Care	Taking Pupils Off Roll P&P
E-safety and AUPS	Physical Education	Transfer of Pupil CP & SEND Records
Essential Information Sheet	Playtime and Lunchtime Behaviour	Welfare Concern Form
EHWB	Positive Handling and Restraint	Whistleblowing
Filming	Premises Documents	
First Aid & Pupil Sickness	Prevent Duty	
First Day Calling Procedure	PSHCE	

We carry out a yearly safeguarding Audit which informs our development points for the year.

We have a number of other strategies and procedures which help us to keep our children as safe as we can.

Sometimes we may need to share information and work in partnership with other agencies when there are concerns about a child's welfare. During these times we do our best to discuss these with the parents/carers first unless we believe that such a move would be contrary to the child's welfare or we have been advised not to do so. At all times, we keep the child at the heart of our processes.

We have a team of qualified Safeguarding officers.

The responsible designated person is Mrs. Rowena Lumber, HoS. Dagenham – Mrs Natalie Holden, HoS.

Our safeguarding governor is Father Stephen Myers who is CP trained and Safer Recruitment Trained.