CONTEXTUAL SAFEGUARDING

1. Our school is close to the coast so we need to be careful around the sea.
We have spoken to the RNLI, we have a dedicated beach school curriculum and are a Water Smart School, so we are taught how to be safe.

2. We have lots of parks and places people like to play in but some people cause trouble near us. We have spoken with the Police and the Fire Service about staying safe in these areas. Our PSHE curriculum teaches us how to be safe in these situations too.

3. A lot of us play games online or have mobile phones. This can cause problems because some people are nasty to each other online. We have lessons in school as part of Computing which help us stay safe, know when to report things to people and what we should stay away from. We also use Project Evolve to learn about staying safe online.

4. In our school we have a lot of pupils who are young carers, which means they put the needs of family before theirs so they can help to care for them at home. We work with Hartlepool Carers, have assemblies and host workshops to identify and help our young carers.

5. In our community we need to be careful with vaping. A lot of people can throw vapes away and we need to stay away from them. We need to tell a trusted adult if we are ever offered to try one.

6. Our school community commonly have a lot of siblings, which is great but sometimes they can influence us in a negative way. We are taught about peer pressure and bullying through our PSHE curriculum, which helps us be assertive and confident in these situations.

SAFEGUARDING TEAM



Miss Furness
Designated
Safeguarding Lead





Ms Clarke
Deputy Designated
Safeguarding Lead





Miss Tailford
Deputy Designated
Safeguarding Lead





Mrs Boagey
Deputy Designated
Safeguarding Lead



Everyone keeps us safe!

POLICY STATEMENT

We know that keeping children safe is everyone's job. All adults who come to our school should help to make sure that every one feels included, safe, happy and cared for.

We think that school should be a safe place where everyone can learn, play and be themselves no matter who they are. If something is worrying us, we can talk to an adult we trust.

All the adults in our school know how to spot when we might need help. They know what to do if we tell them something that is worrying us. They will listen, take us seriously and make sure the right people know if we need help.

We know that adults cannot keep secrets if someone might be unsafe. If we tell an adult something important, they may need to share it with another adult who can help us. They should explain this to us and always do what is best for us. We want everyone in our school to feel safe, listened to, respected, cared for and able to speak up.

WHAT IS SAFEGUARDING?

"Safeguarding is staying safe"
Frankie, Year 1

"Safeguarding is how school helps us to stay safe from things that can stop us from learning"
Rinaaz, Year 6

"Staying safe is important and school follows rules to keep everyone safe so we can do our best"
Jaxon, Year 2

"It is helping others to recognise dangers"
Nova, Year 4

HOW WE ARE KEPT SAFE IN SCHOOL

1. Recruitment- there are rules for who can work with us. People need to pass lots of checks to make sure they are safe to work in our school.
2. Building - our school is a safe building because our adults fix anything which might not be safe.
3. Outside - our outside spaces are kept safe by the fences and all of our toys are checked in case they get broken.
4. Doors - the doors in school all need a special key to unlock them so no one can get into school who we don't know.
5. Mental Health - we have sessions on how to manage our wellbeing and what to do if we are feeling stressed or sad.
6. Training - our adults get regular training and updates on new ways to help us feel included and safe in school.

WHO CAN HELP IN THE COMMUNITY?

999
Police • Fire • Medical
EMERGENCY

ChildLine
0800 1111

101
Police • Non-Emergency
For reporting a crime or a concern that is not an emergency

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CHILD–FRIENDLY SAFEGUARDING POLICY

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