

"TOGETHER WE ACHIEVE"



North Newton School

Safeguarding

Statement

Safeguarding children is everybody's responsibility

If you are concerned about the welfare of a child, you are encouraged to report it to one of the members of staff (below) or ring Somerset Direct on 0300 1232224.

North Newton Primary staff and governors are committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of all children. We expect all volunteers and parents/carers to share this commitment.

Our Designated Safeguarding Lead (DSL) is Alison Crow (Assistant Head Teacher)

Our Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead (DDSL) is Deborah Eveleigh (Interim Head Teacher)

Our Safeguarding Governor is Mrs Nikki Shuttleworth.

Our Chair of Governors is Mrs Kate Bown

Our school is a safe and happy environment for children where adults are vigilant about keeping them safe and a safeguarding culture is embedded throughout the school. All staff and volunteers are subject to safer recruitment checks on their appointment. We actively support the Government's PREVENT Agenda to counter radicalisation and extremism.

We have several policies and procedures in place that contribute to our safeguarding commitment, including our Safeguarding Policy.

Reporting Concerns:

We listen to our children and take seriously what they tell us. All school staff receive safeguarding training and children are made aware of the adults they can talk to if they have any concerns.

Staff are regularly trained to be aware of signs of physical/emotional harm or neglect and report these to Mrs Crow (DSL).

Sometimes we may need to share information and work in partnership with other agencies when there are concerns about a child's welfare. We will ensure that our concerns about our pupils are discussed with parents/carers first unless we have reason to believe that a child is at immediate risk of harm.

Should the DSL and DDSL be off-site, please contact:

Gary Hobbs at North Petherton Primary School (01278 662442)

Kevin Bryant at Somerset Bridge Primary School (01278 422100), explaining you have an urgent safeguarding concern.

If you have a concern about another member of staff's behaviour towards a child or children, please report it immediately to the DSL/DDSL or to Anthony Goble (Local Authority Designated Officer)