# **All Saints' CEVCP School**



# **Child Protection and Safeguarding Policy 2019-20**

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# 'Nothing is more important than children's welfare'.

(Working Together to Safeguard Children – July 2018)

Safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children is **everyone's** responsibility. **Everyone** who comes into contact with children and their families has a role to play. In order to fulfil this responsibility effectively, all practitioners should make sure their approach is child-centred. This means that they should consider, at all times, what is in the **best interests** of the child.

(Keeping Children Safe in Education - September 2019)

This policy refers throughout to Keeping Children Safe in Education statutory guidance dated September 2019. It will be reviewed annually or more frequently if updates to the statutory guidance require it. It will be published on the school website and made available in paper format upon request. It uses the model policy issued by Suffolk County Council as a reference but has been adapted to reflect the context and ethos of All Saints' and the particular needs of our pupils.

Please note that government guidance on the inter-agency approach to safeguarding, Working Together to Safeguard Children, was updated in July 2018. This set in legislation that the three safeguarding partners (Local Authority, Chief Officer of Police, and Clinical Commissioning Groups) must work together with relevant agencies to safeguard and protect the welfare of children in Suffolk. All three partners have equal and joint responsibility for local safeguarding arrangements. This replaces the pre-existing legislation for Local Authorities to have Local Safeguarding Children Boards (LSCBs) from 29 September 2019.

At the time of writing this policy, details on how schools will interact with the Suffolk Safeguarding Partnership have not been published and the current LSCB procedures, documents and points of contact still exist. Consequently, they are the ones referenced in the policy. Should new arrangements replace these during the year, they will be communicated to staff via their usual training updates and this policy will be revised as required.

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## 1. Ethos statement

Safeguarding in All Saints' CEVCP School is considered everyone's responsibility and as such our school aims to create the safest environment within which every pupil has the opportunity to achieve their outcomes. The purpose of the All Saints' CEVCP School Child Protection and Safeguarding Policy is to provide a secure framework for all adults working or volunteering in the school to enable them to safeguard and promoting the welfare of pupils. It covers how we deal with more serious child protection concerns as well as day-to-day safety and welfare issues and early help.

The policy aims to ensure that:

- We establish and maintain an environment where all of our pupils are safe and protected from harm and when there are concerns about the welfare of a child, staff members always act in the child's best interests.
- Children feel safe and adopt safe practices supported by the curriculum including being able
  to talk to staff, with the confidence that they will be listened to, if they have a worry or
  concern.
- Children who have additional/unmet needs are supported appropriately. This could include referral to early help services or social care services if they are potentially a child in need or have been / are at risk of being abused and neglected.
- Staff, pupils, governors, visitors, volunteers and parents adopt and attitude that 'it could happen here', are aware of the expected behaviours and the school's legal responsibilities in relation to its pupils.

#### 2. Introduction

The governing body recognises the need to ensure that it complies with its duties under legislation and this policy has regard to statutory guidance, Keeping Children Safe in Education (KCSiE), Working Together to Safeguard Children and locally agreed inter-agency procedures put in place by Suffolk Safeguarding Children Board (and the Suffolk Safeguarding Partnership that will replace it).

Safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children is defined as: protecting children from maltreatment; preventing impairment of children's health or development; ensuring that children grow up in circumstances consistent with the provision of safe and effective care; and taking action to enable all children to have the best outcomes.

This policy is for all staff, parents, governors, volunteers and the wider school community. It forms part of the child protection and safeguarding arrangements for our school and is one of a suite of policies and procedures which encompass our safeguarding responsibilities. In particular, this policy should be read in conjunction with the school's:

- Staff Code of Conduct
- Governors Code of Conduct
- Acceptable Use of IT Policy
- Safer Recruitment Policy
- E-Safety Policy
- Behaviour Policy
- Anti-Bullying and Cyberbullying Policy.
- Whistleblowing Policy
- Sex and Relationships Education Policy
- Attendance Policy

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The aims of this policy are to:

- Provide staff with a framework to promote and safeguard the wellbeing of children and young people and ensure that they understand and meet their statutory responsibilities;
- Ensure consistent good practice across the school.

The governing body expects that all staff will know and understand this child protection and safeguarding policy and their responsibility to implement it. Staff and governors must, as a minimum, have read and understand <a href="Part One and Annex A of KCSiE">Part One and Annex A of KCSiE</a>. Governors will also ensure that they have read and understood Part Two.

The governing body will ensure that arrangements are in place for all staff members to receive appropriate safeguarding and child protection training which is regularly updated.

Compliance with the policy will be monitored by the Headteacher and named safeguarding governor.

Where the school places a pupil with an alternative provision provider we recognise that we continuee to be responsible for the safeguarding of that pupil and should be satisfied that the provider meets the needs of the pupil. The DSL will get written confirmation from the alternative provider that appropriate safeguarding checks have been carried out on individuals working at the establishment in line with those checks that we would otherwise perform in respect of our own staff

# 3. Statutory framework

Section 175 of the Education Act 2002 places a statutory duty on governing bodies to have policies and procedures in place that safeguard and promote the welfare of children and young people who are pupils of the school which must have regard to any guidance given by the Secretary of State.

A Local Safeguarding Children Board (LSCB) must be established for every local authority area. The LSCB has a range of roles and statutory functions including developing local safeguarding policy and procedures and scrutinising local arrangements. In Suffolk, all professionals including staff in schools should work in accordance with the multi-agency procedures developed by the Suffolk SCB (SSCB) which can be found on their website at: <a href="http://suffolkscb.org.uk/">http://suffolkscb.org.uk/</a>.

An overview of the changes to these arrangements from 29 September 2019 and the new Suffolk Safeguarding Partnership can be found at https://www.suffolkscb.org.uk/about/

As well as the statutory guidance already mentioned, this policy is based on the following legislation.:

- The School Staffing (England) Regulations 2009, which set out what must be recorded on the single central record and the requirement for at least one person on a school interview/appointment panel to be trained in safer recruitment techniques:
- The Children Act 1989 (and 2004 amendment), which provides a framework for the care and protection of children
- Section 5B(11) of the Female Genital Mutilation Act 2003, as inserted by section 74 of the Serious Crime Act 2015, which places a statutory duty on teachers to report to the police where they discover that female genital mutilation (FGM) appears to have been carried out on a girl under 18

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- <u>Statutory guidance on FGM</u>, which sets out responsibilities with regards to safeguarding and supporting girls affected by FGM
- The Rehabilitation of Offenders Act 1974, which outlines when people with criminal convictions can work with children
- Schedule 4 of the <u>Safeguarding Vulnerable Groups Act 2006</u>, which defines what 'regulated activity' is in relation to children
- Statutory <u>quidance on the Prevent duty</u>, which explains schools' duties under the Counter-Terrorism and Security Act 2015 with respect to protecting people from the risk of radicalisation and extremism
- The <u>Childcare (Disqualification) Regulations 2009</u> (and <u>2018 amendment</u>) and <u>Childcare Act 2006</u>, which set out who is disqualified from working with children

# 4. Key roles and responsibilities

## **Governing Body**

The governing body has a legal responsibility to make sure that there are appropriate policies and procedures in place in order for the right action to be taken in a timely manner to safeguard and promote children and young people's welfare and to monitor that the school complies with them. The governing body will also ensure that the policy is made available to parents and carers by publishing this on the school website or in writing if requested.

The governing body take responsibility for promoting a safeguarding culture and keeping up to date with safeguarding training (including Prevent and Parts One and Two of the latest edition of KCSIE). This is written into a Code of Conduct that all governors sign annually.

The governing body will ensure that the school contributes to multi-agency working in line with statutory guidance Working Together to Safeguard Children and that the school's safeguarding arrangements take into account the procedures and practice of the local authority.

It is the responsibility of the governing body to ensure that staff and volunteers are properly vetted to make sure they are safe to work with the pupils who attend our school and that the school has procedures for appropriately managing allegations of abuse made against members of staff (including the headteacher and volunteer helpers).

The governing body will ensure that there is a named governor for safeguarding, a Designated Safeguarding Lead (DSL) who has lead responsibility for safeguarding and child protection, and a designated teacher to promote the educational achievement of children who are looked after or previously looked after and will ensure that these people have the appropriate training. The governing body will inform Suffolk County Council annually about the discharge of their safeguarding duties by completing the safeguarding self-assessment audit.

## **Designated Safeguarding Lead (DSL)**

The DSL will take lead responsibility for safeguarding and child protection (including online safety). This is explicit in their job description. (The broad areas of responsibility and activities related to the role of the DSL are set out in Annex B of KCSiE).

The DSL will have the appropriate status and authority to carry out the duties of the post.

The DSL and any alternate DSLs should liaise with the local authority and work with other agencies in line with Working Together to Safeguard Children.

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During term time, the DSL and/or an alternate should always be available during school hours for staff to discuss any safeguarding concerns. The DSL will make arrangements for adequate and appropriate cover arrangements for any out of hours/out of term time activities.

The DSL will undergo training to provide them with the knowledge and skills to carry out the role. This training will be updated every two years. At All Saints', our DSL Clare Lamb is qualified to deliver safeguarding training within schools.

#### Headteacher

The headteacher will ensure that the policies and procedures adopted by the governing body are fully implemented and that sufficient resources and time are allocated to enable staff members to discharge their safeguarding responsibilities.

#### All staff

All staff have a responsibility to provide a safe environment in which children can learn.

All staff must read and ensure they understand Part One of KCSiE and Annex A and must ensure they are familiar with the systems within school which support safeguarding, including the child protection and safeguarding policy, the staff code of conduct, the safeguarding response to children who go missing from education, and the role of the DSL (including the identity of the DSL and any deputies).

All staff should be aware of the types of abuse and neglect so that they are able to identify cases of children who may be in need of help or protection and should know what to do if a child tells them he/she is being abused or neglected.

All staff should be aware of the process for making referrals to children's social care and for statutory assessments under the Children Act 1989 that may follow a referral, especially section 17 (children in need) and section 47 (a child suffering, or likely to suffer, significant harm) along with the role they might be expected to play in such assessments.

All staff should be aware of the <u>early help process</u> and understand their role within it. This includes providing support as soon as a problem emerges, liaising with the DSL, and sharing information with other professionals in order to support early identification and assessment, focusing on providing interventions to avoid escalation of worries and needs. In some cases, staff may be asked to act as the lead professional in undertaking an early help assessment.

Any child may benefit from early help but all school staff should be particularly alert to the potential need for early help for a child who:

- is disabled and has specific additional needs
- has special educational needs (whether or not they have a statutory education, health and care plan
- is a young carer
- is showing signs of being drawn in to anti-social or criminal behaviour, including gang involvement and association with organised crime groups
- is frequently missing/goes missing from care or from home
- is misusing drugs or alcohol themselves
- is at risk of modern slavery, trafficking or exploitation
- is in a family circumstance presenting challenges for the child, such as substance abuse, adult mental health problems or domestic abuse

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- has returned home to their family from care
- is showing early signs of abuse and/or neglect
- is at risk of being radicalised or exploited
- is a privately fostered child

Knowing what to look out for is vital to the early identification of abuse and neglect. If staff are unsure, they should always speak to the DSL (or deputy). If in exceptional circumstances the DSL (or deputy) is not available, this should not delay appropriate action being taken. Staff should consider speaking to a member of the senior leadership team and/or take advice from children's social care. In these circumstances, any action taken should be shared with the DSL as soon as is practically possible.

Role:	Name and contact details:
Designated Safeguarding Lead (DSL)	Clare Lamb
Alternate DSL	Suzanne Kemp and Kate Bolton
Named safeguarding governor and CiC	Richard Harding – 07981 624488
Chair of Governors	Stephen Larner - 07538 920255 or
	governors@allsaintsprimary.org
School e-Safety Lead	Clare Lamb
Designated teacher for Children in Care and	Clare Lamb
children previously in care (CiC)	
Local Authority Designated Officer (LADO)	Rennie Everett 07717 302255.

#### Other useful contacts are:

Multi-agency Safeguarding Hub (MASH) Professional Helpline: 0345 606 1499

Customer First (Professional Referral Line) for use in emergencies only: 0345 606 6167

Customer First: 0808 800 4005 Police (emergency only): 999

Suffolk Police main switchboard: 01473 613500

Suffolk Police Cybercrime Unit: 101

Suffolk Local Safeguarding Children Board www.suffolkscb.org.uk

Suffolk Safeguarding Partnership <a href="https://www.suffolkscb.org.uk/about/">https://www.suffolkscb.org.uk/about/</a>

Suffolk County Council: <a href="https://www.suffolk.gov.uk/community-and-safety/staying-safe-online/e-safer-suffolk/">www.suffolk.gov.uk/community-and-safety/staying-safe-online/e-safer-suffolk/</a>

# 5. Training

The governing body will ensure that all staff receive appropriate safeguarding and child protection training which is regularly updated and in line with advice from SSCB. In addition, all staff members will receive regular safeguarding and child protection updates (for example, via email, e-bulletins, staff meetings) as required, but at least annually, to provide them with relevant skills and knowledge to safeguard children effectively.

All new staff members will undergo safeguarding and child protection training at induction. This will include training on the school's safeguarding and child protection policy, the staff code of conduct and the role of the designated safeguarding lead. Copies of the school's policies, procedures and Part One of KCSiE will be provided to new staff at induction. The Headteacher will ensure that an accurate record of safeguarding training undertaken by all staff is maintained and updated regularly.

Our DSL and Alternate DSL will undertake further safeguarding training in addition to the whole school safeguarding training. This will be undertaken at least every two years which updates

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their awareness and understanding of the impact of the wider agenda of safeguarding issues. This will support both the DSL /Alternate to be able to better undertake their role and support the school in ensuring our safeguarding arrangements are robust and achieve better outcomes for the pupils in our school. This includes taking part in multi-agency training and how we contribute to the assessment of children and the early help offer.

Our governing body will have access to and complete safeguarding training upon induction and every three years. Our Named Safeguarding Governor will undertake additional training at least every two years to enhance their oversight and support their employers' role in handling allegations against adults who work with children and young people, including our staff and volunteers.

# 6. Recognising concerns - signs and indicators of abuse.

All staff should be aware that abuse, neglect and safeguarding issues are rarely standalone events that can be covered by one definition or label. In most cases, multiple issues will overlap with one another.

**Abuse** is defined as a form of maltreatment of a child. Somebody may abuse or neglect a child by inflicting harm or by failing to act to prevent harm. Children may be abused in a family or in an institutional or community setting by those known to them or, more rarely, by others. Abuse can take place wholly online, or technology may be used to facilitate offline abuse. They may be abused by an adult or adults or another child or children.

The following indicators listed under the categories of abuse are not an exhaustive list:

**Physical abuse:** a form of abuse which may involve hitting, shaking, throwing, poisoning, burning or scalding, drowning, suffocating or otherwise causing physical harm to a child. Physical harm may also be caused when a parent or carer fabricates the symptoms of, or deliberately induces, illness in a child.

**Emotional abuse:** the persistent emotional maltreatment of a child such as to cause severe and adverse effects on the child's emotional development. It may involve conveying to a child that they are worthless or unloved, inadequate, or valued only insofar as they meet the needs of another person. It may include not giving the child opportunities to express their views, deliberately silencing them or 'making fun' of what they say or how they communicate. It may feature age or developmentally inappropriate expectations being imposed on children. These may include interactions that are beyond a child's developmental capability as well as overprotection and limitation of exploration and learning, or preventing the child participating in normal social interaction. It may involve seeing or hearing the ill-treatment of another. It may involve serious bullying (including cyberbullying), causing children frequently to feel frightened or in danger, or the exploitation or corruption of children. Some level of emotional abuse is involved in all types of maltreatment of a child, although it may occur alone.

**Sexual abuse**: involves forcing or enticing a child or young person to take part in sexual activities, not necessarily involving a high level of violence, whether or not the child is aware of what is happening. The activities may involve physical contact, including assault by penetration (for example rape or oral sex) or non-penetrative acts such as masturbation, kissing, rubbing and touching outside of clothing. They may also include non-contact activities, such as involving children in looking at, or in the production of, sexual images, watching sexual activities, encouraging children to behave in sexually inappropriate ways, or grooming a child in preparation for abuse (including via the internet). Sexual abuse is not solely perpetrated by adult males. Women can also commit acts of sexual abuse, as can other children. The sexual

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abuse of children by other children is a specific safeguarding issue in education (See Section 7: Specific safeguarding issues and Appendix A)

**Neglect**: the persistent failure to meet a child's basic physical and/or psychological needs, likely to result in the serious impairment of the child's health or development. Neglect may occur during pregnancy as a result of maternal substance abuse. Once a child is born, neglect may involve a parent or carer failing to: provide adequate food, clothing and shelter (including exclusion from home or abandonment); protect a child from physical and emotional harm or danger; ensure adequate supervision (including the use of inadequate care-givers); or ensure access to appropriate medical care or treatment. It may also include neglect of, or unresponsiveness to, a child's basic emotional needs.

(Source Keeping Children Safe in Education 2019)

# 7. Specific safeguarding issues

All staff should have an awareness of safeguarding issues that can put children at risk of harm. Behaviours linked to issues such as of drug taking, alcohol abuse, deliberately missing education and sexting (also known as youth produced sexual imagery) put children in danger.

All staff should be aware that safeguarding issues can manifest themselves via *peer on peer* abuse. This is most likely to include, but may not be limited to:

- bullying (including cyberbullying)
- physical abuse such as hitting, kicking, shaking, biting, hair pulling, or otherwise causing physical harm
- · sexual violence and sexual harassment
- 'upskirting' which typically involves taking a picture under a person's clothing without them knowing, with the intention of viewing their genitals or buttocks to obtain sexual gratification, or cause the victim humiliation, distress or alarm.
- sexting (also known as youth produced sexual imagery); and
- initiation/hazing type violence and rituals

All staff should be clear about the school's policy and procedures with regards to peer on peer abuse.

Safeguarding incidents and/or behaviours can be associated with factors outside the school and/or can occur between children outside the school. All staff, especially the DSL (or deputy), should be considering the context within which such incidents and/or behaviours occur. This is known as *contextual safeguarding*. Assessments of children should consider whether wider environmental factors are present in a child's life that are a threat to their safety and/or welfare. It is important that staff provide as much information as possible as part of the referral process. Additional information regarding contextual safeguarding can be found here: <a href="Contextual Safeguarding">Contextual Safeguarding</a>

Further information about specific forms of abuse and safeguarding issues can be found in Appendix A. All staff should familiarise themselves with this.

All staff should be aware of the indicators which may signal that children are at risk of involvement with *serious violent crime* and *county lines*. These may include increased absence from school, change in friendships or relationships with older individuals or groups, a significant decline in performance, signs of self-harm, a significant change in wellbeing or signs of assault/unexplained injuries. Unexplained gifts or new possessions could also indicate that children have been approached by, or are involved with, individuals associated with criminal networks or gangs.

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Steff should be aware of the associated risks and understand the measures in place to manage these. Advice can be found from the Home Office on <a href="Preventing Youth Violence and Gang">Preventing Youth Violence and Gang</a> Involvement and County Lines.

#### 8. Curriculum

The governing body will ensure that children and young people are taught about safeguarding, including online safety, through teaching and learning opportunities as part of a broad and balanced curriculum. This is in order to help children stay safe, recognise when they do not feel safe and identify who they might or can talk to. This includes covering relevant issues through Sex and Relationships Education and through Personal, Social, Health and Economic Education (PHSE). The governing body will also ensure there is a comprehensive curriculum response to e-safety issues, enabling children and their parents to learn about the risks of new technologies, communication and social media and how to use these responsibly.

# 9. Online safety

The use of technology has become a significant component of many safeguarding issues, for example, technology often provides the platform that facilitates child sexual exploitation, radicalisation and sexual predation.

There are three categories of risk:

- Content: being exposed to illegal, inappropriate or harmful material, for example, pornography, fake news, racist or radical and extremist views;
- Contact: being exposed to harmful online interaction with other users, for example, commercial advertising as well as adults posing as children or young adults; and
- Conduct: personal online behaviour that increases the likelihood of, or causes, harm, for example, making, sending and receiving explicit images, or online bullying.

The governing body has had due regard to the additional information and support set out in KCSiE and will ensure that the school has a whole school approach to online safety and has a clear policy on use of communications technology in school. School staff can access resources, information and support as set out in Annex C of KCSiE.

The school will ensure that there are appropriate filters and monitoring systems in place to safeguard children and young people from potentially harmful and inappropriate online material.

# 10. Peer on peer abuse

In most instances, the conduct of pupils towards each other will be covered by the behaviour policy. However, some allegations may be of such a serious nature that they may raise safeguarding concerns. The school is clear that abuse is abuse and should never be tolerated or passed off as "banter", "just having a laugh" or "part of growing up".

Peer on peer abuse can manifest itself in many ways and may include sexual violence and sexual harassment, physical abuse such as hitting, kicking, shaking, biting, hair pulling, or otherwise causing physical harm, sexting (also known as youth produced sexual imagery), initiation/hazing type violence and rituals.

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Any incidents of serious peer on peer abuse will be managed according to school procedures which include measures to minimise the risk of peer on peer abuse through investigation and monitoring by staff. Allegations of peer abuse will be recorded on pastoral support forms, investigated and dealt with. The school will put in place measures to provide nurture support for victims, perpetrators and any other child affected by peer on peer abuse.

#### 11. Procedures

If staff notice any indicators of abuse/neglect or signs that a child or young person may be experiencing a safeguarding issue they should record their concerns on the school recording form for safeguarding concerns and pass it to the DSL without delay. The form can be found in Appendix B.

#### What to do if you are concerned.

If a child makes an allegation or disclosure of abuse against an adult or other child or young person, it is important that you:

- Stay calm and listen carefully;
- Accept what is being said:
- Allow the child/young person to talk freely do not interrupt or put words in the child/young person's mouth;
- Only ask questions when necessary to clarify, do not investigate or ask leading questions;
- Reassure the child, but don't make promises which it might not be possible to keep;
- Do not promise confidentiality;
- Emphasise that it was the right thing to tell someone;
- Reassure them that what has happened is not their fault;
- Do not criticise the perpetrator;
- Explain what has to be done next and who has to be told;
- Make a written record, which should be signed and include the time, date and your position in school;
- Do not include your opinion without stating it is your opinion;
- Pass the information to the DSL or alternate without delay
- Consider seeking support for yourself and discuss this with the DSL as dealing with a disclosure can be distressing.

When a record of a safeguarding concern is passed to the DSL, the DSL will record the time and date the record of concern was received. The DSL will assess the concern and, taking into account any other safeguarding information known about the child/young person, consider whether it suggests that the threshold of significant harm, or risk of significant harm, has been reached. If the DSL is unsure whether the threshold has been met they will contact the MASH Professional Consultation Line for advice (0345 606 1499). Where appropriate, the DSL will complete and submit the SSCB multi agency referral form (MARF) (available on the SSCB website). The exception to this process will be in those cases of known FGM where there is a mandatory requirement for the teacher to report directly to the police, although the DSL should also be made aware.

Where the DSL believes that a child or young person may be at imminent and significant harm risk of harm they should call Customer First immediately and then complete the SSCB MARF within 24 hours to confirm the referral. In these circumstances, it is important that any consultation should not delay a referral to Customer First.

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Where a safeguarding concern does not meet the threshold for completion of a MARF, the DSL should record how this decision has been reached and should consider whether additional needs of the child have been identified that might be met by a coordinated offer of early help. School staff might be required to contribute to multi-agency plans to provide additional support to children. This might include attendance at child protection conferences or core group meetings. The school is committed to providing as much relevant up to date information about

the child as possible, including submitting reports for child protection conference in advance of the meeting in accordance with SSCB procedures and timescales.

Where reasonably possible, the school is committed to obtaining more than one emergency contact number for each pupil.

### **Children Missing Education**

A child missing from education is:

- between the compulsory school age of 5 to 16 years old
- · not registered on a school roll
- not attending an alternate education provision

It is essential that all staff are alert to signs to look out for and the individual triggers to be aware of when considering the risks of potential safeguarding concerns for children missing education such as travelling to conflict zones, female genital mutilation and forced marriage.

The school follows the Suffolk County Council Guidance on <u>Children Missing Education</u> School staff must ensure that they are aware of the procedure to follow when a child goes missing from education.

The law requires that all schools have to have an admission register and, with the exception of schools where all pupils are boarders, an attendance register. All pupils must be placed on both registers.

All Saints' CEVCP School will inform the local authority if any of our pupils is going to be removed from the admission register where they:

- have been taken out of school by their parents and the school has received written notification from the parent they are being educated outside the school system e.g. home education;
- have ceased to attend school and no longer live within reasonable distance of the school at which they are registered;
- have been certified by the school medical officer as unlikely to be in a fit state of health to attend school before ceasing to be of compulsory school age, and neither he/she nor his/her parent has indicated the intention to continue to attend the school after ceasing to be of compulsory school age;
- are in custody for a period of more than four months due to a final court order and the governing body does not reasonably believe they will be returning to the school at the end of that period; or,
- have been permanently excluded.

All schools including All Saints' CEVCP School must inform the local authority of any pupil who fails to attend school regularly or has been absent without the school's permission for a continuous period of 10 school days or more, at such intervals as are agreed between the school and the local authority.

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If a child's whereabouts is unknown by school and/or parents, then police should be contacted via 101, even if this is only for a short period of time as it helps to build a pattern and the history can be useful for future missing episodes.

# 12. Information sharing, record keeping and confidentiality

Information sharing is vital in identifying and tacking all forms of abuse.

As part of meeting a child's needs, the school understands that it is critical to recognise the importance of information sharing between professionals and local agencies and will contribute to multi-agency working in line with Working Together to Safeguard Children. Where there are concerns about the safety of a child, the sharing of information in a timely and effective manner between organisations can reduce the risk of harm. Whilst the Data Protection Act 1998 places duties on organisations and individuals to process personal information fairly and lawfully, it is not a barrier to sharing information where the failure to do so would result in a child or vulnerable adult being placed at risk of harm. Similarly, human rights concerns, such as respecting the right to a private and family life would not prevent sharing where there are real safeguarding concerns.

Staff will have regard to the Government guidance: <u>Information sharing: advice for practitioners providing safeguarding services.</u>

Well-kept records are essential to good child protection practice. All concerns, discussions and decisions made and the reasons for those decisions should be recorded in writing. If in doubt about recording requirements, staff should discuss with the DSL. The school will have regard to SCC <u>Guidance for schools on maintaining and transferring pupil safeguarding/child protection records</u>.

The school recognises that confidentiality should be maintained in respect of all matters relating to child protection. Information on individual child protection cases may be shared by the DSL or alternate DSL with other relevant members of staff. This will be on a 'need to know' basis and where it is in the child's best interests to do so.

A member of staff must never guarantee confidentiality to anyone about a safeguarding concern (including parents / carers or pupils) or promise a child to keep a secret which might compromise the child's safety or wellbeing.

The school will always undertake to share its intention to refer a child to Social Care with their parents /carers unless to do so could put the child at greater risk of harm or impede a criminal investigation. If in doubt, staff will consult with the MASH Professional Consultation Line on this point.

# 13. Managing allegations made against members of staff or volunteers

The school will follow the SSCB <u>Arrangements for Managing Allegations of Abuse Against People Who Work With Children or Those Who Are in A Position of Trust</u> if an allegation is made against an adult in a position of trust.

An allegation is any information which indicates that a member of staff /volunteer may have:

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- behaved in a way that has harmed a child, or may have harmed a child;
- possibly committed a criminal offence against or related to a child; or
- behaved towards a child or children in a way that indicates he/she may pose a risk of harm to children.

This applies to any child the member of staff/volunteer has contact with in their personal, professional or community life. It also applies regardless of whether the alleged abuse took place in our school.

If any member of staff has concerns that a colleague or volunteer might pose a risk to children, it is their duty to report these to the Headteacher. Where the concerns or allegations are about the Headteacher, these should be referred to the Chair of Governors.

The Headteacher/Chair of Governors should report the concern to the Local Authority Designated Officer (LADO) within one working day.

The Local Authority has identified dedicated staff to undertake the role of LADO. LADOs can be contacted via email on <u>LADO@suffolk.gov.uk</u> or by using the LADO telephone number: **0300 123 2044** for allegations against all staff and volunteers. The current LADO for All Saints' is Rennie Everett - 07717 302255.

# 14. Whistleblowing

The governing body recognises that children cannot be expected to raise concerns in an environment where staff fail to do so.

Whistleblowing is 'making a disclosure in the public interest' and occurs when a worker (or member of the wider school community) raises a concern about danger or illegality that affects others, for example, pupils in the school or members of the public.

All staff should be aware of their duty to raise concerns, where they exist, about the management of child protection, which may include the attitude or actions/inactions of colleagues, poor or unsafe practice and potential failures in the school's safeguarding arrangements.

The governing body would wish for everyone in the school community to feel able to report any child protection/safeguarding concerns through existing procedures within school using the Whistleblowing Policy. For members of staff who do not feel able to raise such concerns internally, there is a NSPCC whistleblowing helpline. Staff can call 0800 028 0285 (line available from 8.00am to 8.00pm, Monday to Friday) or email: <a href="help@nspcc.org.uk">help@nspcc.org.uk</a>

The Whistleblowing Policy is shared with staff at induction and is displayed in the staff room along with the NSPCC helpline number.

#### 15. Recruitment and Safer Staff

Recruitment of all staff and volunteers at All Saints' is covered by our Safer Recruitment Policy. This policy is designed to ensure that all adults involved with the school and to work with children and young people are properly selected and checked

All recruitment for staff and volunteers will adhere to the All Saints' Safer Recruitment Policy without exception. The policy draws together best practice from:

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- The Suffolk Safeguarding Children Board Key Safeguarding Employment Standards.
- Keeping Children Safe in Education (Sept 2019).
- Childcare (Disqualification) and Childcare (Early Years Provision Free of Charge) (Extended Entitlement) (Amendment) Regulations 2018.

The statement that 'All Saints' CEVCP School is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people and expects all staff and volunteers to share this commitment' will be explicit at all stages of the recruitment process.

The Head and Senior Leadership Team will undertake Safer Recruitment Training. In addition, members of the Governing Body may also undertake the training to increase awareness of safer recruitment practices. Under no circumstances will any part of the recruitment and selection process be carried out without the oversight and management of someone who has received this training.

The All Saints' Safer Recruitment Policy ensures that all staff and volunteers will be subject to rigorous scrutiny of references and the relevant identity, DBS, Barred List and Prohibition Order Checks. All appointees will have to complete a declaration in relation to the Childcare Disqualification Regulations before commencing their role.

All adults that come into regular contact with children at our school will be recorded on our Single Central Record and will sign a declaration to say that they have read and understood this policy and Part 1 and Annex A of Keeping Children Safe in Education 2019.

All governors will be subject to a Section 128 Check.

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# Appendix A

# Further information on specific safeguarding issues (source: Annex A, KCSiE)

# Children and the court system

Children are sometimes required to give evidence in criminal courts, either for crimes committed against them or for crimes they have witnessed. There are two age appropriate guides to support children 5-11 year olds and 12-17 year olds.

They explain each step of the process and support and special measures that are available. There are diagrams illustrating the courtroom structure and the use of video links is explained.

Making child arrangements via the family courts following separation can be stressful and entrench conflict in families. This can be stressful for children. The Ministry of Justice has launched and online <a href="mailto:child-arrangements">child-arrangements information tool</a> with clear and concise information on the dispute resolution service. This may be useful for some parents and carers.

# Children missing from education

All staff should be aware that children going missing, particularly repeatedly, can act as a vital warning sign of a range of safeguarding possibilities. This may include abuse and neglect, which may include sexual abuse or exploitation and child criminal exploitation. It may indicate mental health problems, risk of substance abuse, risk of travelling to conflict zone, risk of female genital mutilation or risk of forced marriage. Early intervention is necessary to identify the existence of any underlying safeguarding risk and to help prevent the risks of a child going missing in future. Staff should be aware of their school or college's unauthorised absence and children missing from education procedures.

# Children with family members in prison

Approximately 200,000 children in England and Wales have a parent sent to prison each year. These children are at risk of poor outcomes including poverty, stigma, isolation and poor mental health. <a href="NICCO">NICCO</a> provides information designed to support professionals working with offenders and their children, to help mitigate negative consequences for those children.

# **Child sexual exploitation**

Child sexual exploitation is a form of sexual abuse. It occurs when an individual or group takes advantage of an imbalance of power to coerce, manipulate or deceive a child or young person under the age of 18 into sexual activity (a) in exchange for something the victim needs or wants, and/or (b) for the financial advantage or increased status of the perpetrator or facilitator. He victim may have been sexually exploited even if the sexual activity appears consensual. Child sexual exploitation does not always involve physical contact: it can also occur through the use of technology. Like all forms of child sex abuse, child sexual exploitation:

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- can affect any child or young person (male or female) under the age of 18 years, including
   16 and 17-year olds who can legally consent to have sex
- can still be abuse even if the sexual activity appears consensual
- can include both contact (penetrative and non-penetrative acts) and non-contact sexual activity
- can take place in person or via technology, or a combination of both
- can involve force and/or enticement-based methods of compliance and may, or may not, be accompanied by violence or threats of violence
- may occur without the child or young person's immediate knowledge (e.g. through others copying videos or images they have created and posted on social media)
- can be perpetrated by individuals or groups, males or females, and children or adults. The abuse can be a one-off occurrence or a series of incidents over time, and range from opportunistic to complex organised abuse; and
- is typified by some form of power imbalance in favour of those perpetrating the abuse. Whilst age may the most obvious, this power imbalance can also be due to a range of other factors including gender, sexual identity, cognitive ability, physical strength, status, and access to economic or other resources.

Some of the following signs may be indicators of child sexual exploitation:

- children who appear with unexplained gifts or new possessions
- children who associate with other young people involved in exploitation
- children who have older boyfriends or girlfriends
- children who suffer from sexually transmitted infections or become pregnant
- children who suffer from changes in emotional well-being
- children who misuse drugs and alcohol
- children who go missing for periods of time or regularly come home late
- children who regularly miss school or education or do not take part in education

# Child criminal exploitation: county lines

Criminal exploitation of children is a geographically widespread form of harm that is a typical feature of county lines criminal activity: drug networks or gangs groom and exploit children and young people to carry drugs and money from urban areas to suburban and rural areas, market and seaside towns.

Key to identifying potential involvement in county lines are missing episodes, when the victim may have been trafficked or the purpose of transporting drugs and a referral to the National Referral Mechanism should be considered.

Like other forms of abuse and exploitation, county lines exploitation:

- can affect any child or young person (male or female) under the age of 18 years
- can affect any vulnerable adult over the age of 18 years
- can still be exploitation even if the activity appears consensual
- can involve force and/or enticement-based methods of compliance and is often accompanied by violence or threats of violence
- can be perpetrated by individuals or groups, males or females, and young people or adults; and is typified by some form of power imbalance in favour of those perpetrating the exploitation. Whilst age may the most obvious, this power imbalance can also be due to a range of other factors including gender, cognitive ability, physical strength, status, and access to economic or other resources

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#### **Domestic abuse**

The cross-government definition of domestic violence and abuse is: Any incident or pattern of incidents of controlling, coercive, threatening behaviour, violence or abuse between those aged 16 or over who are, or have been, intimate partners or family members regardless of gender or sexuality. The abuse can encompass, but is not limited to:

- psychological
- physical
- sexual
- financial: and
- emotional

Exposure to domestic abuse and/or violence can have a serious, long lasting emotional and psychological impact on children. In some cases, a child may blame themselves for the abuse or may have had to leave the family home as a result. Domestic abuse affecting young people can also occur within their personal relationships, as well as in the context of their home life. Advice on identifying children who are affected by domestic abuse and how they can be helped is available at:

NSPCC-UK domestic-abuse signs symptoms effects
Refuge what is domestic violence/effects of domestic violence on children
Safelives: young people and domestic abuse

#### **Homelessness**

Being homeless or at risk of becoming homeless presents a real risk to a child's welfare. The designated safeguarding lead (and any deputies) should be aware of contact details and referral routes in to the Local Housing Authority so they can raise/progress concerns at the earliest opportunity. Indicators that a family may be at risk of homelessness include household debt, rent arrears, domestic abuse and anti-social behaviour, as well as the family being asked to leave a property. Whilst referrals and/or discussion with the Local Housing Authority should be progressed as appropriate, this does not, and should not, replace a referral into children's social care where a child has been harmed or is at risk of harm.

The Homelessness Reduction Act 2017 places a new legal duty on English councils so that everyone who is homeless or at risk of homelessness will have access to meaningful help including an assessment of their needs and circumstances, the development of a personalised housing plan, and work to help them retain their accommodation or find a new place to live. The following factsheets usefully summarise the new duties. <a href="Homeless Reduction Act Factsheets">Homeless Reduction Act Factsheets</a>. The new duties shift focus to early intervention and encourage those at risk to seek support as soon as possible, before they are facing a homelessness crisis.

In most cases school and college staff will be considering homelessness in the context of children who live with their families, and intervention will be on that basis. However, it should also be recognised in some cases 16 and 17-year olds could be living independently from their family home and will require a different level of intervention and support.

Children's services will be the lead agency for these young people and the designated safeguarding lead (or a deputy) should ensure appropriate referrals are made based on the child's circumstances. The department and the Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government have just published joint statutory guidance on the provision of accommodation for 16 and 17 year olds who may be homeless and/or require accommodation: here

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# So-called 'honour-based' violence (including Female Genital Mutilation and Forced Marriage)

So-called honour-based violence (HBV) encompasses incidents or crimes which have been committed to protect or defend the honour of the family and/or the community, including female genital mutilation (FGM), forced marriage, and practices such as breast ironing.

Abuse committed in the context of preserving "honour" often involves a wider network of family or community pressure and can include multiple perpetrators. It is important to be aware of this dynamic and additional risk factors when deciding what form of safeguarding action to take. All forms of HBV are abuse (regardless of the motivation) and should be handled and escalated as such. Professionals in all agencies, and individuals and groups in relevant communities, need to be alert to the possibility of a child being at risk of HBV, or already having suffered HBV.

If staff have a concern regarding a child that might be at risk of HBV or who has suffered from HBV, they should speak to the designated safeguarding lead (or deputy). As appropriate, they will activate local safeguarding procedures, using existing national and local protocols for multiagency liaison with police and children's social care. Where FGM has taken place, since 31 October 2015 there has been a mandatory reporting duty placed on **teachers** that requires a different approach (see following section).

#### **FGM**

FGM comprises all procedures involving partial or total removal of the external female genitalia or other injury to the female genital organs. It is illegal in the UK and a form of child abuse with long-lasting harmful consequences.

Section 5B of the Female Genital Mutilation Act 2003 (as inserted by section 74 of the Serious Crime Act 2016) places a statutory duty upon **teachers** along with regulated health and social care professionals in England and Wales, to report to the police where they discover (either through disclosure by the victim or visual evidence) that FGM appears to have been carried out on a girl under 18. Those failing to report such cases will face disciplinary sanctions.

It will be rare for teachers to see visual evidence and they should **not** be examining pupils, but the same definition of what is meant by "to discover that an act of FGM appears to have been carried out" is used for all professionals to whom this mandatory reporting duty applies. Information on when and how to make a report can be found at: <u>Mandatory reporting of female genital mutilation procedural information</u>.

Teachers **must** personally report to the police cases where they discover that an act of FGM appears to have been carried out. Unless the teacher has good reason not to, they should still consider and discuss any such case with the school or college's designated safeguarding lead (or deputy) and involve children's social care as appropriate. The duty does not apply in relation to at risk or suspected cases (i.e. where the teacher does not discover that an act of FGM appears to have been carried out, either through disclosure by the victim or visual evidence) or in cases where the woman is 18 or over. The following is a useful summary of the FGM mandatory reporting duty: <u>FGM Fact Sheet</u>.

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# Forced marriage

Forcing a person into marriage is a crime in England and Wales. A forced marriage is one entered into without the full and free consent one or both parties and where violence, threats or any other form of coercion is used to cause a person to enter into a marriage. Threats can be physical or emotional and psychological. A lack of full and free consent can be where a person does not consent or where they cannot consent (if they have learning disabilities, for example.) Nevertheless, some communities use religion and culture as a way to coerce a person into marriage, Schools and colleges can play an important role in safeguarding children from forces marriage.

The Forced Marriage Unit has published <u>statutory guidance</u> and <u>Multi-agency guidelines</u>, with pages 35-36 of which focus on the role of schools and colleges. School and college staff can contact the Forced Marriage Unit if they need advice or information: Contact: 020 7008 0151 or email <u>fmu@fco.gov.uk</u>.

# **Preventing radicalisation**

Children are vulnerable to extremist ideology and radicalisation. Similar to protecting children from other forms of harm and abuse, protecting children from this risk should be a part of a school's or college's safeguarding approach.

<u>Extremism</u> is the vocal or active opposition to our fundamental values, including the rule of law, individual liberty and the mutual respect and tolerance of different faiths and beliefs. This also includes calling for the death of members of the armed forces.

<u>Radicalisation</u> refers to the process by which a person comes to support terrorism and extremist ideologies associated with terrorist groups.

There is no single way of identifying whether a child is likely to be susceptible to an extremist ideology. Background factors combined with specific influences such as family and friends may contribute to a child's vulnerability. Similarly, radicalisation can occur through many different methods (such as social media) and settings (such as the internet).

However, it is possible to protect vulnerable people from ideology and intervene to prevent those at risk of radicalisation being radicalised. As with other safeguarding risks, staff should be alert to changes in children's behaviour which could indicate that they may be in need of help or protection. Staff should use their judgement in identifying children who may be at risk of radicalisation and act proportionately which may include the designated safeguarding lead (or deputy) making a referral to the Channel programme.

#### The Prevent duty

All schools and colleges are subject to a duty under section 26 of the Counter-Terrorism and Security Act 2015 (the CTSA 2015), in the exercise of their functions, to have "due regard to the need to prevent people from being drawn into terrorism". This duty is known as the Prevent duty.

The Prevent duty should be seen as part of schools' and colleges' wider safeguarding obligations. Designated safeguarding leads and other senior leaders should familiarise themselves with the Revised Prevent duty guidance: for England and Wales, especially paragraphs 57-76 which are specifically concerns with schools (and also covers

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childcare). The guidance is set out in terms of four general themes: Risk assessment, working in partnership, staff training, and IT policies.

#### **Additional support**

The department has published advice for schools on the <u>Prevent duty</u>. The advice is intended to complement the Prevent guidance and signposts other sources of advice and support.

Educate Against Hate, a website launched by Her Majesty's Government has been developed to support and equip school and college leaders, teachers, and parents with information, tools and resources (including on the promotion of fundamental British values) to help recognise and address extremism and radicalisation in young people. The platform provides information on and access to training resources for teachers, staff and school and college leaders, some of which are free such as Prevent e-learning, via the Prevent Training catalogue.

#### Channel

Channel is a programme which focuses on providing support at an early stage to people who are identified as being vulnerable to being drawn into terrorism. It provides a mechanism for schools to make referrals if they are concerned that an individual might be vulnerable to radicalisation. An individual's engagement with the programme is entirely voluntary at all stages. Guidance on Channel is available at: <a href="Channel Guidance">Channel Guidance</a>, and a Channel awareness e-learning programme is available for staff at: <a href="Channel Guidance">Channel Guidance</a>, and a Awareness.

The school or college's Designated Safeguarding Lead (and any deputies) should be aware of local procedures for making a Channel referral. As a Channel partner, the school or college may be asked to attend a Channel panel to discuss the individual referred to determine whether they are vulnerable to being drawn into terrorism and consider the appropriate support required.

# Peer on peer abuse

Children can abuse other children. This is generally referred to as peer on peer abuse and can take make many forms. This can include (but is not limited to) bullying (including cyberbullying); sexual violence and sexual harassment; physical abuse such as hitting, kicking, shaking, biting, hair pulling, or otherwise causing physical harm; sexting and initiating/hazing type violence and rituals.

# Sexual violence and sexual harassment between children in schools and colleges

#### Context

Sexual violence and sexual harassment can occur between two children of **any** age and sex. It can also occur through a group of children sexually assaulting or sexually harassing a single child or group of children.

Children who are victims of sexual violence and sexual harassment will likely find the experience stressful and distressing. This will, in all likelihood, adversely affect their educational attainment. Sexual violence and sexual harassment exist on a continuum

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and may overlap, they can occur online and offline (both physical and verbal) and are never acceptable. It is important that **all** victims are taken seriously and offered appropriate support. Staff should be aware that some groups are potentially more at risk. Evidence shows girls, children with SEND and LGBT children are at greater risk.

Staff should be aware of the importance of:

- making clear that sexual violence and sexual harassment is not acceptable, will never be tolerated and is not an inevitable part of growing up;
- not tolerating or dismissing sexual violence or sexual harassment as "banter", "part of growing up", "just having a laugh" or "boys being boys"; and
- challenging behaviours (potentially criminal in nature), such as grabbing bottoms, breasts and genitalia, flicking bras and lifting up skirts. Dismissing or tolerating such behaviours risk normalising them.

#### What is sexual violence and sexual harassment?

#### Sexual violence

It is important that school and college staff are aware of sexual violence and the fact children can, and sometimes do, abuse their peers in this way. When referring to sexual violence we are referring to sexual offences un the Sexual Offences Act 2003 as described below:

<u>Rape</u>: A person (A) commits an offence of rape if: he intentionally penetrates the vagina, anus or mouth of another person (B) with his penis, B does not consent to the penetration and A does not reasonably believe that B consents.

Assault by Penetration: A person (A) commits an offence if: s/he intentionally penetrates the vagina or anus of another person (B) with a part of her/his body or anything else, the penetration is sexual, B does not consent to the penetration and A does not reasonably believe that B consents.

<u>Sexual Assault</u>: A person (A) commits an offence of sexual assault if: s/he intentionally touches another person (B), the touching is sexual, B does not consent to the touching and A does not reasonably believe that B consents.

**What is consent?** Consent is about having the freedom and capacity to choose. Consent to sexual activity may be given to one sort of sexual activity but not another, e.g. to vaginal but not anal sex or penetration with conditions, such as wearing a condom. Consent can be withdrawn at any time during sexual activity and each time activity occurs. Someone consents to vaginal, anal or oral penetration only if s/he agrees by choice to that penetration and has the freedom and capacity to make that choice.

#### Sexual harassment

When referring to sexual harassment we mean 'unwanted conduct of a sexual nature' that can occur online and offline. When we reference sexual harassment, we do so in the context of child on child sexual harassment. Sexual harassment is likely to: violate a child's dignity, and/or make them feel intimidated, degraded or humiliated and/or create a hostile, offensive or sexualised environment.

Whilst not intended to be an exhaustive list, sexual harassment can include:

- sexual comments, such as: telling sexual stories, making lewd comments, making sexual remarks about clothes and appearance and calling someone sexualised names;
- sexual "jokes" or taunting;

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- physical behaviour, such as: deliberately brushing against someone, interfering with someone's clothes (schools and colleges should be considering when any of this crosses a line into sexual violence – it is important to talk to and consider the experience of the victim) and displaying pictures, photos or drawings of a sexual nature; and
- online sexual harassment. This may be standalone, or part of a wider pattern of sexual harassment and/or sexual violence. It may include:
  - non-consensual sharing of sexual images and videos;
  - sexualised online bullying;
  - unwanted sexual comments and messages, including, on social media; and
  - sexual exploitation; coercion and threats

## **Upskirting**

'Upskirting' typically involves taking a picture under a person's clothing without them knowing, with the intention of viewing their genitals or buttocks to obtain sexual gratification, or cause the victim humiliation, distress or alarm. It is now a criminal offence.

#### The response to a report of sexual violence or sexual harassment

The initial response to a report from a child is important. It is essential that all victims are reassured that they are being taken seriously and that they will be supported and kept safe. A victim should never be given the impression that they are creating a problem by reporting sexual violence or sexual harassment. Nor should a victim ever be made to feel ashamed for making a report.

If staff have a concern about a child or a child makes a report to them, they should follow the referral process as set out from paragraph 23 in Part 1 of KCSiE. As is always the case, if staff are in any doubt as to what to do they should speak to the designated safeguarding lead (or a deputy).

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# Additional advice and support

Abuse or Safeguarding issue	Link to Guidance/Advice	Source		
Abuse	What to do if you're worried a child is being abused	DfE advice		
	Domestic abuse: Various Information/Guidance	Home Office		
	Faith based abuse: National Action Plan	DfE advice		
	Relationship abuse: disrespect nobody	Home Office website		
Bullying	Preventing bullying including cyberbullying	DfE advice		
Children and the courts	Advice for 5-11 year old witnesses in criminal courts	MoJ advice		
Courts	Advice for 12-17 year old witnesses in criminal courts	MoJ advice		
Children missing from education,	Children missing education	DfE statutory guidance		
home or care	Children missing from home or care	DfE statutory guidance		
	Children and adults missing strategy	Home Office strategy		
Children with family members in prison	National Information Centre on Children of Offenders	Barnardo's in partnership with Her Majesty's Prison and Probation Service (HMPPS) advice		
Child Exploitation	County Lines: criminal exploitation of children and vulnerable adults	Home Office guidance		
	Child sexual exploitation: guide for practitioners	DfE		
	Trafficking: safeguarding children	DfE and HO guidance		
Drugs	Drugs: advice for schools	DfE and ACPO advice		
	Drugs strategy 2017	Home Office strategy		
	Information and advice on drugs	Talk to Frank website		
	ADEPIS platform sharing information and resources for schools: covering drug (& alcohol) prevention	Website developed by Mentor UK		
"Honour Based Violence"	Female genital mutilation: information and resources	Home Office		
VIOLETICE	Female genital mutilation: multi agency statutory guidance	DfE, DH, and HO statutory guidance		
(so called)	Forced marriage: information and practice guidelines	Foreign Commonwealth Office and Home Office		
Health and Well- being	Fabricated or induced illness: safeguarding children	DfE, Department for Health and Home Office		

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	Rise Above: Free PSHE resources on health, wellbeing and resilience	Public Health England resources
	Medical conditions: supporting pupils at school	DfE statutory guidance
	Mental health and behaviour	DfE advice
Homelessness	Homelessness: How local authorities should exercise their functions	HCLG
Online	Sexting: responding to incidents and safeguarding children	UK Council for Child Internet Safety
Private fostering	Private fostering: local authorities	DfE – statutory guidance
Radicalisation	Prevent duty guidance	Home Office guidance
	Prevent duty advice for schools	DfE advice
	Educate Against Hate Website	DfE and Home Office
Violence	Gangs and youth violence: for schools and colleges	Home Office advice
	Ending violence against women and girls 2016-2020 strategy	Home Office strategy
	Violence against women and girls: national statement of expectations for victims	Home Office guidance
	Sexual violence and sexual harassment between children in schools and colleges	DfE advice
	Serious violence strategy	Home Office Strategy

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# All Saints' CEVCP School record of concern about a child/young person's safety and welfare



Part 1 (for use by any staff – must be handwritten and legible)

Pupil's name:	Date of birth:	Class/Form:
Date & time of incident:	Date & time	
	(of writing):	
Name (print):	 Job title:	
Signature:		
Record the following factually:		
Nature of concern, e.g.		
disclosure, change in		
behaviour, demeanour,		
appearance, injury, witnesses etc. (please include as much		
detail in this section as possible.		
Remember – the quality of your		
information will inform the level		
of intervention initiated. Attach		
additional sheets if necessary.		
What is the pupil's perspective?		
Professional opinion, where		
relevant (how and why might		
this have happened?)		
Any other relevant information.		
Previous concerns etc.		
(distinguish between fact and		
opinion)		
Note actions, including names		
of anyone to whom your		
information was passed and		
when		

Check to make sure your report is clear to someone else reading it.

Please pass this form to your DSL without delay

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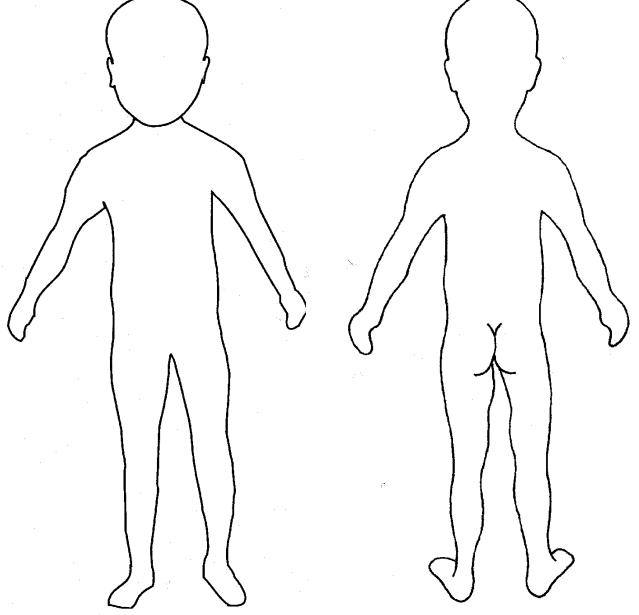
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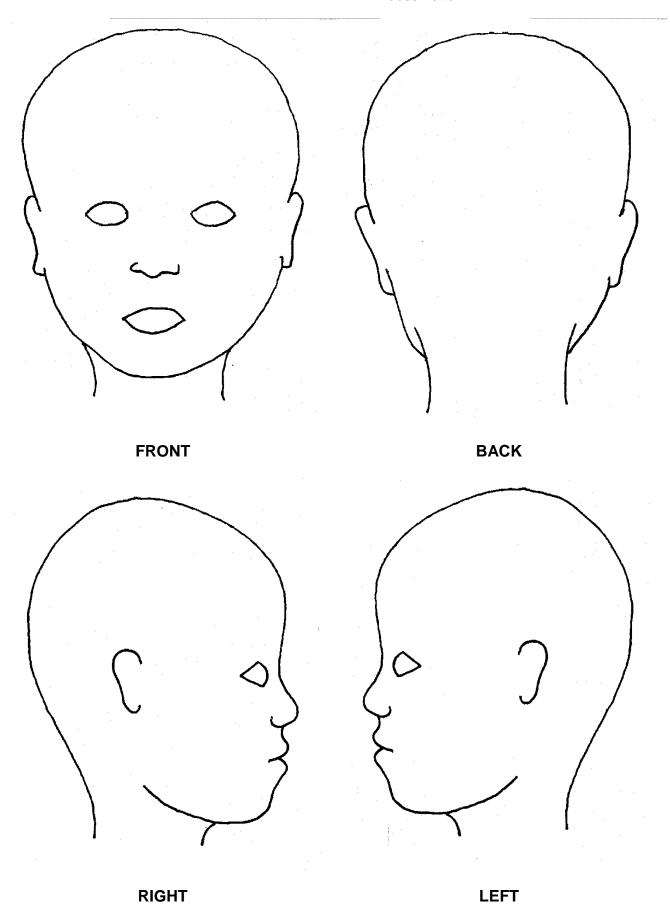
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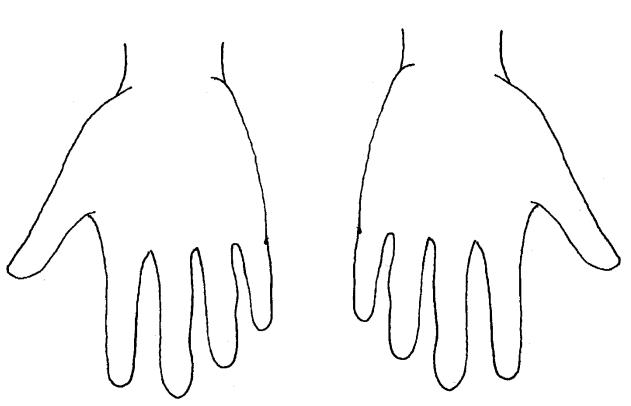
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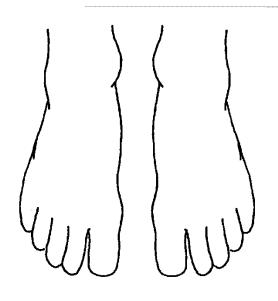


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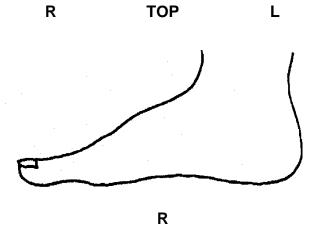
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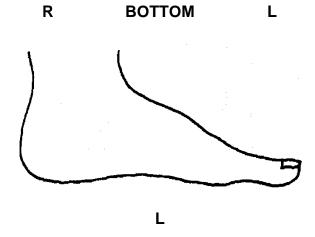




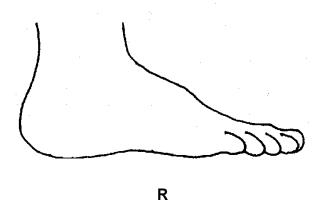


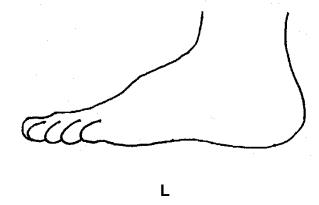












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Printed Name, Signature and Job title of staff: