



ABBEY WOOD NURSERY SCHOOL SAFEGUARDING STATEMENT

Staff will:

- Consistently and actively promote tolerance of other faiths, cultures and races.
- Challenge gender stereotypes, including routine segregation of girls and boys.
- Work to engage children and families with the wider community
- Challenge behaviours (whether of staff, children or parents) that are not in line with the fundamental British values of democracy, rule of law, individual liberty, mutual respect and tolerance for those with different faiths, beliefs and lifestyle choices.

SAFEGUARDING CHILDREN

All staff working in schools have a duty to protect children who are considered “at risk of significant harm”. (The Children Act 1989)

All staff at Abbey Wood Nursery School have the general duty to promote children’s safety and welfare and to seek to protect them from actual or potential harm. Staff must report any suspicion of child abuse to the designated teacher for safeguarding children immediately. Students should inform the class teacher or room leader in their Base Room. It is very important that children are not asked leading questions or further questions about any child protection incidents. The designated teacher will decide if the child should be asked to clarify anything. London Child Protection Procedures contains the current child protection procedures and is kept in the school office.

THE TEACHER WITH DESIGNATED RESPONSIBILITY FOR SAFEGUARDING CHILDREN IS THE HEADTEACHER CLARE BARBER (or the teacher in charge in her absence). It is her responsibility to refer cases of suspected child abuse to:

The Duty Officer The Early Intervention Team at The Woolwich Centre Telephone: 8921 3172 (This statement was revised in 2013)