

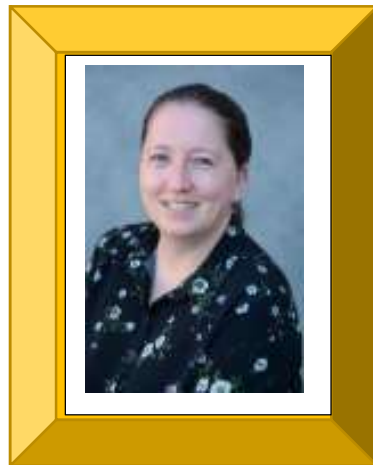
Child-friendly Safeguarding Policy 2023



What is safeguarding?

This is how we make sure you are safe and happy to learn, so that you can be the best you can be.

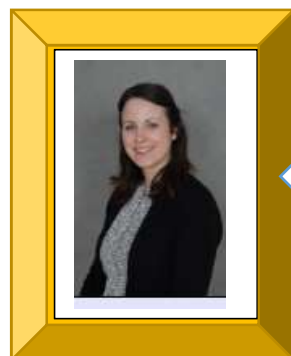
DSL



What is a DSL?

DSL stands for 'Designated Safeguarding Lead' - a very long way of saying the person who keeps everyone safe at school! Our DSL is Miss Ashton.

What happens if Miss Ashton is not in school?



Speak to us!

Mrs Cheers



What should I do if I am feeling bullied, either in person or online?

You must tell someone at school so that we can help you. Some of the people you can talk to are:

- Teachers
- Teaching assistants
- School secretary
- Sports coaches
- Any adult that you trust



What if someone has touched me in a way that has made me feel unsafe or scared?

It is **not okay** for someone to touch you and make you feel uncomfortable. People who do things like this often lie and tell you things to frighten you and make sure you don't tell anyone. You must tell someone at school so we can help you and you will be taken care of and supported.

It is **NOT** your fault.

What if someone offers me something to eat, drink or smoke and I do not know what it is?



Do **not** take what has been offered to you. Please tell someone at school and we can help you.



What do I do if someone is hurting me?

We can be hurt in lots of ways. It is not ok for someone to hit you or smack you. Other ways of being hurt are: people not giving us the things we need (food, medicine, school), people using words to make us feel bad about ourselves or touching you or making you watch something to do with sex. If any of these things happen - please tell someone!



What will happen after I talk to an adult about something I am worried about?

We want all children to feel:

- ♥ Safe
- ♥ Comfortable
- ♥ Cared for
- ♥ Respected



If you speak to a grown up, sometimes they will need to check things with your DSL and then if they can deal with the issue themselves, they will. Please try and understand that staff and the DSL will only want to help you and make you feel supported and better about the situation. There are times though when they may need to contact some other agencies for support. These may be Social Workers or Police. This is because schools can't do everything on their own and need to work with other people who are experts at helping.

It might sound a little bit scary, but the Social Workers and Police will be specialist trained professionals who are great at helping children and young people. There are lots of other agencies who support children and their families as well and it isn't always that people need to have a Social Worker involved with their family. Sometimes people are Youth Workers or Mentors or Family Support Workers. Don't worry, your DSL will talk to you and explain all of this, and you can always go and ask them questions if you are unsure about anything.



How do I get help from someone?

All Saints - Ranton Speak up Line

If you are worried, do not feel safe online or have a concern, please speak to an adult in school. Alternatively you can text the number below in confidence. We will reply to your messages within 24 hours.

07415 381199



"I want someone to stop messaging me"



"I'm worried about a friend"

If you are experiencing online bullying, received an unkind message (including text messages, snapchat, WhatsApp) or something else has worried you please speak to an adult you trust. You can also talk to Childline at any time on 0800 1111 or at www.childline.org.uk.

"I'm scared"

"I've been sent a horrible video"