

Bowerhill Primary School Safeguarding Newsletter



At Bowerhill Primary School we strive to safeguard and promote the welfare of all of our children.

Introducing our Safeguarding Team:



Rachael Amor
Designated
Safeguarding Lead
(DSL)



Chris Light
Deputy Designated
Safeguarding Lead
(DDSL)



Catherine Williams
Deputy Designated
Safeguarding Lead
(DDSL)

The Designated Safeguarding lead has a crucial role in taking lead responsibility for child protection issues in school.



DSL's are trained to take on this role and that training is updated every two years with additional training and conferences in between. The DSL has many responsibilities including working with staff and agencies involved in safeguarding children; working with parents and families; giving advice to staff; training staff; managing referrals from staff and investigating concerns; passing them onto the correct body as necessary; managing the records of safeguarding and Child Protection concerns; keeping own knowledge up to date etc.

What does safeguarding mean?

Every child has the right to be safe from harm and danger. It is everyone's responsibility to ensure every child is free from fear and able to learn and develop in safe, secure environments.

Useful Acronyms & Vocabulary about Safeguarding

DSL: Designated Safeguarding Lead

DOFA: Designated Officer for Allegations (deals with position of trust safeguarding issues). This is a Wiltshire Council role.

MASH: Multi-Agency Safeguarding Hub

CP: Child Protection

ESA: Early Support Assessment - The Early Help ESA is a supportive

If you think a child or young person is at risk of significant harm, or is injured, contact MASH on **0300 456 0108** (8.45am – 5pm Mon – Thurs; 8.45am – 4pm Fri). Out of hours 0300 456 0100.

If there is immediate danger, phone the police or emergency services on 999.