Safeguarding Update Issue 9

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Child Sexual Exploitation

www.childline.org.uk

Southampton Safeguarding Partnership

If you have concerns about a child or wish to receive some form of support, please come and talk to a member of the safeguarding team.

What is Child Sexual exploitation (CSE)?

Child sexual exploitation is a form of child sexual abuse. It occurs where 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. The victim may have been sexually exploited even if the sexual exploitation does not always involve physical contact: it can also occur through the use of technology.

Possible Signs of CSE

- Children who appear with unexplained gifts or new possessions
- Children who associate with 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 wellbeing
- Children who misuse drugs and alcohol
- Children who go missing for periods of time or who regularly come home late
- Children who regularly miss school or education or do not take part in education.

How does our curriculum help to safeguard children from CSE?

- Posters around the school
- Through delivering a very robust PSHE curriculum
- We never take photographs of ourselves or anyone when they are undressing
- Through our regular safeguarding assemblies

If you have a concern about a child, please report it to the DSL or complete an online concern form

If you have any other safeguarding concerns that you would like information on, please email:
head@hollybrookinfant.co.uk or
head@hollybrookjunior.co.uk
Issues that have been covered in the Safeguarding Updates so far are:
Issue 1 – Online Safety
Issue 2 – Extremism and Radicalisation
Issue 3 – Gangs
Issue 4 – Keeping Children Safe 2022/23
Issue 5 – Anti-Bullying
Issue 6 – Child on Child Abuse
Issue 7 – Upskirting and Sexual Violence
Issue 8 – Children Missing in Education

Further Help and Useful Websites:

Useful Leaflet from Parents Protect

Camden useful leaflet explaining Child Sexual Exploitation

https://stop-ce.org/

https://www.stopitnow.org.uk/resources/