Mrs Emma Pomfret
School's Designated Safeguarding Lead



Mrs Catherine Simpson
Deputy Safeguarding Lead



Mr Richard Petty

Nominated Governor for Safeguarding



Safeguarding is <u>everyone's</u> responsibility.

There is a single contact number for Children's
Services to speak to a Duty Social Worker who is
based in the W & F Safeguarding Hub. Anybody
with a concern about a child in Cumbria can contact
Children's Services on this number:

Telephone: 0300 373 2724 (day or night)

If a child is in an emergency situation

please call 999



"Leaders have ensured that there is a strong safeguarding culture at the school. Staff and governors receive regular safeguarding training. They know what to do if they have any worries about a pupil's welfare. Leaders raise concerns with agencies quickly when required. This ensures that pupils and their families get the support that they need in a timely manner.

Pupils learn how to keep themselves safe. This includes knowing how to stay safe online and learning to swim with confidence. Pupils know who to speak to if they have any worries, They are confident that staff will support them to stay safe."

Safeguarding

Information for Parents and Visitors



Headteacher: Mrs Emma Pomfret
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Orton C of E Primary School recognises the importance of all pupils' welfare and Safeguarding.

The purpose of this good practice leaflet is to share with you our excellent safeguarding practice and the responsibility we have to Safeguard all pupils.

"All families can face challenges that make parenting difficult. Often families are able to overcome challenges themselves or with the help of relatives, friends and services, such as schools, youth services, health visiting and mental health services. However, sometimes families will have more significant needs that require more intensive help and support."

(Working Together to Safeguard Children, HM Government 2023)

The school's Child Protection Policy applies to all staff and other adults, working in school, who come into contact with children.

The safety and welfare of all children is the responsibility of everyone working in school.

The Headteacher, Mrs Pomfret, is the Designated Safeguarding Lead with responsibility for Safeguarding/child protection and Mrs Simpson in Mrs Pomfret's absence.

Mr Richard Petty is the Nominated

Governor with responsibility for

Safeguarding/child protection.

Orton C of E Primary School is committed to the welfare of our children and we regard the safeguarding of children as paramount.

The school works to safeguard children through;

- Safe processes-the school's policies are there to safeguard children.
- Establishing and maintaining a safe environment where children feel secure and will be listened to in an open positive atmosphere.
- Ensuring that children know that there are named adults in school and can name who they can approach if they are worried or in difficulty.
- We actively seek the views of children, listening to them and involving them in decisions about their education.
- Including in the curriculum activities and opportunities for PSHE, anti-bullying initiatives and online safety lessons which equip children with the skills they need to stay safe from abuse.
- Making any referrals necessary to ensure the well-being of a pupil.
- Encouraging a high level of attendance and punctuality.
- A commitment to develop productive, supportive relationships with parents.
- Involving children in decision making through the school council.

Orton CE School is a happy place to learn, grow and thrive.

Everyone who comes into contact with children and their families has a role to play in Safeguarding children.

"School staff are particularly important, as they are in a position to identify concerns early, provide help for children, promote children's welfare and prevent concerns from escalating. All staff have a responsibility to provide and safe environment in which children can learn."

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Useful contacts

Further information and guidance on the procedures can be found on the Cumbria Safeguarding Children Partnership's website: https://cumbriasafeguardingchildren.co.uk/report

-concern-about-child

Information for Parents
is on our website
https://www.ortoncofeprimary.co.uk/
Look under
Key Information/Safeguarding/Curriculum/
Computing and Online Safety

Other useful websites include the NSPCC and Barnardo's.

For help and support referrals can be made to the child and adolescent Mental Health team (CAHMS)

CAMHS East (Carlisle & Eden)

Fairfield Centre, Carleton Clinic, Cumwhinton

Road, Carlisle, CA1 3SX

Tel No: 01228 603017 camhs.east1@nhs.net