At Middlestown Junior and Infant school we are committed to promoting the safeguarding and welfare of our children.

For your information:

Designated Safeguarding Lead

Miss J Tomlinson (Headteacher)

Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead

Mrs R White (Senior Teacher)

Safeguarding Governor

Mrs K Speirs

If you require any more information on safeguarding. Please do not hesitate to contact the school.



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Safeguarding Information For Parents

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What does safeguarding mean?

- Protecting children from maltreatment
- Protecting their health and development
- Ensuring they grow up in circumstances consistent with the provision of safe and effective care
- To enable children to have the best life chances and enter adulthood successfully

At Middlestown Junior and Infant School we take our safeguarding responsibility very seriously and achieve this in the following ways:

Physical Safety

Have one entrance into the school building for visitors, ensuring that they sign in and out and wear a visitors lanyard.

Have termly fire drills.

Have termly health and safety walks carried out by a member of the governing body, the premises supervisor and the school business manager

Carry out risk assessments prior to any off site visit.

Emotional Safety

Have a values based ethos where everyone is valued and views are treated with respect.

Provide a safe environment that provides opportunities to share any concerns e.g through circle time, SEALs work, and our worry box.

Have a Learning Mentor with whom the children can share concerns.

Conduct nurture groups for vulnerable children.

Staffing

All the staff that work in school are subject to DBS (Disclosure Barring Service) checks.

All staff members attend regular safeguarding training.

Our safeguarding policy is reviewed annually.

Staff are trained in First Aid, with at least 2 members of staff having the Pediatric First Aid certificate.

The school has a trained designated safeguarding lead (DSL), Miss Tomlinson and a Deputy DSL, Mrs. White.

Curriculum

We ensure that topics such as road safety, Bikeability, stranger danger, E-safety and Anti Bullying are taught in class, in assemblies and through themed weeks.

What if I have concerns?

Everyone has a responsibility to report any concerns they may have if they feel a child is at risk of physical /emotional harm or neglect. You can speak in confidence to any professional you know-a teacher, doctor or health visitor. Don't think what if I'm wrong-Think what if I'm right.

Online safety

Many children spend a lot of time on the computer or on their mobile phone. The internet is a fabulous and exciting way of communicating, learning and entertaining. However we need to make sure that our children are using it safely.

Ask yourself

How much do I know about the websites my child is visiting? How can I make it safe for my child to use the internet? How can I set parental controls to prevent unsuitable website viewing? Have I warned my child about being careful to whom they give their number and email address?

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