

Children can be abused physically, sexually, emotionally or through neglect. The concerns that you have may make up part of a bigger picture which could help to prevent serious harm to a child. Giving families help at an early stage can prevent abuse and neglect.

During your visit

As part of our safeguarding policy and procedures, please ensure that:

- You wear your visitor badge at all times
- Your mobile phone is kept out of places where there are children present
- You are not alone with a child or in an area not visible to others

First Aid

Staff are first aid trained. Within the Early Years are Paediatric First Aid trained. If a child requires medical attention, please call upon a trained member of staff.

What is safeguarding?

Safeguarding is the action that is taken to promote the welfare of children and protect them from harm.

Child protection is part of the safeguarding process. It focuses on protecting children from abuse.

INFORMATION AND CONTACTS

South West Child Protection Procedures

www.proceduresonline.com/swcpp/cornwall_scilly/

Local Safeguarding Children Partnership website

<http://www.safechildren-cios.co.uk/>

Emergency Services	999
Devon & Cornwall Police	101
Multi Agency Referral Unit (MARU)	0300 1231 116
Cornwall Children's Social Care - out of hours	0300 1234 100

At Sandy Hill Academy we are committed to safeguarding and protecting the welfare of our children.

If you would like more information on our school safeguarding policies and procedures, they are available on our school website.

www.sandyhill.org.uk



**CHILD PROTECTION &
SAFEGUARDING CHILDREN**

KEEPING CHILDREN SAFE

Information for Visitors

Safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children is **everyone's responsibility**. Everyone who comes into contact with children and their families and carers has a role to play in safeguarding children.



In every force. In every school. For every child.

Children have rights

No one wants to hear about children being abused, neglected or unsafe and that sometimes makes it difficult to respond to, but please remember:

All children have right to be safe no matter who they are or what their circumstances.

Keeping children safe is everyone's responsibility.

We all need to listen to children even though we may not always be comfortable with what we hear.

Who should I talk to if I have concerns about a child?

We have designated staff within our school who have been trained to deal with safeguarding concerns.



Bridget Rundle
Head of School
Designated Safeguarding Lead



Jack Walker
Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead



Leanne Bawden
Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead



Kylie Evans
Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead



Camilla Carter
SENDCo & Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead



Caroline O'Brien
Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead



Sarah Chown
Parent Support Advisor & Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead

Remember

- It doesn't matter if you are a paid member of staff, a volunteer or a member of the community, **you have a responsibility** to act if you are worried about a child.
- Each agency will have someone who has a responsibility for child protection and safeguarding issues - they have had training to know what to do next.
- It is not your responsibility to investigate child abuse but you should tell the appropriate person within the organization. It will be this person's job to decide whether to pass your concerns on. If necessary, they will speak to Children's Social Care or the police. The police and social workers can then decide whether they need to investigate your concerns.

NEVER KEEP SAFEGUARDING CONCERNS TO YOURSELF