

SAFEGUARDING PRINCIPLES

AT LOSCOE C OF E PRIMARY SCHOOL & NURSERY



At Loscoe C of E Primary School and Nursery, safeguarding is at the heart of everything we do. Every child has the right to feel **safe, valued, listened to** and **protected from harm**.

We are committed to creating a culture where safeguarding is everyone's responsibility and where concerns are acted upon promptly and professionally.



OUR SAFEGUARDING COMMITMENTS



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EVERY CHILD MATTERS

We will place the safety, welfare and wellbeing of every child at the centre of all decisions and actions. We will treat all children with dignity, respect and compassion.



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SAFEGUARDING IS EVERYONE'S RESPONSIBILITY

All staff, governors, volunteers, students, visitors and contractors have a duty to identify, respond to and report safeguarding concerns. We will always maintain a culture of vigilance and professional curiosity.



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WE WILL ACT IMMEDIATELY

We will never ignore concerns, assume someone else will act, or delay reporting. If we see something, hear something, or are worried about a child, we will take action straight away.



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CHILDREN WILL BE LISTENED TO

We will ensure children know they will be heard, believed and supported. We will take all disclosures seriously and help children feel safe when sharing worries or concerns.



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WE RECOGNISE THAT SAFEGUARDING CONCERNS CAN PRESENT IN MANY WAYS

We understand that abuse, neglect, exploitation and harm may be reflected through changes in behaviour, attendance, presentation, emotional wellbeing, relationships or engagement with learning.



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WE ARE COMMITTED TO PROTECTING VULNERABLE CHILDREN

We recognise that some children may face additional safeguarding challenges, including those with SEND, mental health difficulties, social care involvement, attendance concerns or adverse life experiences.



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WE WILL WORK WITH FAMILIES AND PARTNER AGENCIES

Safeguarding is most effective when schools, families and external agencies work together to achieve the best outcomes for children.



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WE PROMOTE A CULTURE OF OPENNESS AND ACCOUNTABILITY

We encourage staff to raise concerns about children or adults working with children without fear of repercussions. We will challenge poor practice and use whistleblowing procedures where necessary.



**IF YOU SEE SOMETHING, HEAR SOMETHING
OR ARE WORRIED ABOUT A CHILD –
SAY SOMETHING, DO SOMETHING.**

It could
make all the
difference.



BE VIGILANT



BE CURIOUS



BE PROFESSIONAL



TAKE ACTION

SAFEGUARDING IS EVERYONE'S RESPONSIBILITY. TOGETHER, WE KEEP CHILDREN SAFE.

