

Keeping Children Safe

Mundy C of E Junior School is committed to creating a happy and safe environment for our children to learn. This leaflet will help you understand how we keep your children safe by telling you:

- How children can be harmed.
- What we must do to keep your child safe from harm.
- What you must do as a parent to help your child be safe and enjoy school.
- How we use our 'Be' Statements throughout the day to encourage positive behaviour.

Child Protection

This is an important subject in which all staff receive regular training. Our priority is to work with you but there may be times when we have to involve other people. Everybody has a responsibility to keep all children under the age of 18 safe.

Occasional Visitors Procedures

Visitors must sign in at the Main Office using our Inventory system:

- Visitors will be given a pass, which must be worn at all times whilst on the school site.
- Visitors should remain under supervision of a member of staff whilst on site.
- All visitors must sign out at the main office and return their visitor pass before leaving the site.
- Visitors wishing to speak to a particular member of staff should telephone the school to make an appointment, wherever possible, to avoid disappointment.

If you are seeking an urgent appointment, please report or call the school office and we will arrange for you to see a member of the senior leadership team.

Safeguarding statement

The school is committed to providing an environment where children can play, learn, develop and achieve, and where they are safeguarded and are enabled to tell or communicate if they are being harmed in some way. We are committed to ensuring that all staff are sensitive to issues of race, culture, gender and diversity but these issues should never be a barrier to sharing and reporting concerns about children.

We are committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children. We expect all staff, volunteers and visitors to share this commitment.

What does Safeguarding mean?

- Protecting children from abuse and maltreatment.
- Preventing harm to children's health or development.
- Ensuring children grow up with the provision of safe and effective care.
- Taking action to enable all children and young people to have the best outcomes.
- Safeguarding children and child protection guidance and legislations applies to all children up to the age of 18.

All children have the right to be protected from harm.



Safeguarding Guide for Parents, Visitors and Volunteers



E-mail: info@mundy.derbyshire.sch.uk

Designated Safeguarding Leads:

Miss Dot Adair (Head Teacher)
Mrs Leonie George (SLT)
Mrs Lisa Knighton (DDSL)

Websites

www.derbyshirescb.org.uk

www.thinkknow.co.uk

www.childnet.com

www.nspcc.org.uk

www.ceop.police.uk/Safety-Centre/

How does Mundy C of E Junior School ensure that all children are safe? Be Safe

A child should be able to go to school and feel safe so that they can achieve their very best.

Anybody who works or volunteers at Mundy C of E Junior School will be subjected to Disclosure & Barring Service to make sure they are safe to work with children and then trained to identify child abuse and what to do if they are concerned.

- The school has Designated Leads for Safeguarding these are Miss Dot Adair & Mrs Leonie George, who have had extra training to know what to do when a concern is brought to them.
- We will always listen to you and work closely with you if we are concerned about your child but, sometimes, we may not be able to discuss our concern. The school has a safeguarding policy which tells you more about this and if and when we must speak to the police or children's services. Please ask us about how you can see a copy of this policy or find more details from our website.
- We will help your child to learn about keeping themselves safe. Lessons can include healthy eating, anti-bullying, e- safety, road safety, healthy relationships, drug and alcohol awareness. As part of these lessons your child will be told what to do if they are worried or concerned about their safety.

What Parents and Carers Must Do

Parents are the most important people to keep their children safe. You should always:

- Feel confident to raise concerns about your child. Talk to school if you need help or support.

- Read the school policies about safety issues Let the school know if your child has a medical condition.
- Let the school know if you have any court orders relating to the safety of your child.
- Let the school know if there is a change in your circumstances such as a house move, a new contact number, a change of name, a change of parental responsibility.
- Who will be dropping off or collecting your child and two other emergency contacts. You must inform the school of any changes to agreed arrangements.
- Let the school know if your child is going to be absent and the reason why on the morning of their absence by 9am.

Safeguarding Issues

Attendance: Your child's attendance is monitored daily and significant absences are always followed up by the attendance officer. The school has an attendance policy that you should read and understand.

Behaviour: At Mundy C of E Junior School we have our 'Be' Statements that keep everyone safe and happy. We understand that children do sometimes fall out and this will be dealt with by an adult who will listen to the children involved and help resolve the situation.

Bullying: The school takes all cases of bullying very seriously and will work with children and families to try and resolve any problems. The school has a discipline, behaviour & anti bullying. A positive approach to behaviour document that you should read and understand.

Health and Safety: Everyone at Mundy C of E Junior School has a responsibility to keep adults and children in a safe environment. The school has a clear health and safety policy which everyone must follow. The school have fully trained first aiders to deal with any accidents in school.

E-safety: The school recognises that technology plays an important part in the education of children and is committed to safeguarding children in the virtual world. To support parents, the school has e-safety information to help keep your children safe both in school and at home. (Please see our website)

