

Safeguarding.

Safeguarding is of paramount importance at Kinver High School. Students, staff and governors receive regularly training on the full breadth of safeguarding issues. We also invite parents into school for training on new technologies, social media trends and things to watch out for. This document outlines further information for visitors and parents/carers and prospective visitors to the school. A separate safeguarding policy page can be found on the about us section of the school website, under 'policies'.

Procedures for visitors:

All visitors are required to sign in to school and read an overview of our safeguarding procedures which is an abridged version of the core elements of Keeping Children Safe in Education 2016.

Critically, by signing in to our school, the visitor is also confirming that they have read, understood and can act on the information in the leaflet.

Keeping Children Safe

Kinver High is committed to creating a happy and safe environment for our students to learn.

This leaflet will help you understand how we keep the students 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

IMPORTANT: By signing into our school, you also confirm you have read, understood & can act on the information in this leaflet in your role.

Useful contacts

Designated Safeguarding Lead:

Mr A Walker

Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead:

Miss S Masters

First Response Service

0800 13 13 126

firstr@staffordshire.gov.uk

Police (**non emergency**)

0300 123 44 55 or 101

Emergency Duty Service (Local Authority Out Of Hours)

0845 6042886

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 where we have to involve other people. Everybody has a responsibility to keep all children under the age of 18 safe. Harm is identified in four ways:

Physical - This is when a child is deliberately hurt or injured.

Sexual - This is when a child is influenced or forced to take part in sexual activity. This can be a physical activity or none physical, e.g. being made to look at an inappropriate image.

Emotional - This is when a child is made to feel frightened, worthless or unloved. It can be by shouting, using threats or making fun of someone. It can also be when children see their parents, or visitors to the home, fighting or using violence.

Neglect - This is when a child is not being taken care of by their parents / carers. It can be poor hygiene, poor diet, **not** keeping appointments for additional support, not coming to school or being left at home alone.

Keeping Children Safe in Education



Information for Parents and Visitors

Safeguarding issues

Attendance

Your child's attendance is monitored daily and significant absences are always followed up by the attendance officer.

Behaviour

The Kinver High Standard has clear rules to keep everyone safe and happy. We understand that students do sometimes fall out and this will be dealt with by a member of staff who will listen to the students involved and help to resolve the situation.

Bullying

Kinver High takes all cases of bullying very seriously and will work with children and families to try and resolve any problems. The school has an anti-bullying policy.

Health and Safety

Everyone at Kinver High has a responsibility to keep staff and students in a safe environment. The school has fully trained first aiders to deal with any accidents in school.

E-safety

Kinver High recognises that technology plays an important part in the education of students and is committed to safeguarding students in the virtual world. Learning how to stay safe online forms a core part of our curriculum.

Information provided from the Staffordshire Safeguarding Children Board

What should I do if I think that a child is being harmed?

Telephone the First Response Team at the MASH (Multi Agency Safeguarding Hub) or the Police straight away - they will listen - local contact numbers are on this leaflet.

Do I have to give my name?

No - it is your choice; if you decide that you want to remain anonymous that decision will be respected. (Professionals making a referral should be aware that they cannot be guaranteed anonymity).

What happens next?

Social workers will follow up every report where they believe a child may be at risk of harm.

They will talk to other people who know the child and may be able to provide a clearer picture. This includes teachers, health visitors and members of the child's family. After this several things could happen:

- No further action will be taken
- Help and support will be offered to the family
- An investigation will take place

Are children taken away from home?

Very rarely - social workers cannot remove a child from their family without the permission of the court. This only happens when there are real concerns that the child will not be safe at home, and then consideration is always given to the child being looked after by a relative or a friend.

Will I be told what has happened?

You should receive written confirmation that your referral has been received and acted upon unless your report was anonymous.

Procedures for visitors (cont'd):

Upon signing in, a green badge is given to people who we have (Disclosure and Barring Service

<https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/disclosure-and-barring-service/about>) (DBS) information for and we have checked their identification. These individuals, are permitted to move around the school freely without supervision should the need arise.

A red badge is given to visitors who have not been checked. These people will not have a DBS. We ensure that these visitors are not left unattended. Any member of staff who sees someone wearing a red badge or no badge at all, walking around the school alone should challenge the person if it is safe to do so.

If you have immediate concerns, phone the police and alert reception. It may be that the emergency and critical incidents policy has to be enacted and the school goes into full lock down procedure.

Safeguarding in the news:

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/election-2017-40151991> - Prevent

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/uk-41504571> - Peer on peer abuse

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/uk-england-42625287> - Members of the banned National Action group in court on terror group charges

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/iplayer/episode/p05pkszd/mcmafia-series-1-episode-1> - a new drama series on human trafficking. An estimated 4000 cases of human trafficking in the UK involve children.

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/uk-42623499> - Abuse of trust

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/uk-england-derbyshire-41151166> - September 2017, social workers miss key signs.

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/magazine-4000843> - Alcoholism at home

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/w3cvsyj> - Female Genital Mutilation

Key contacts (information for parents / carers):

- Staffordshire Children's Social Care Services: First Response Service in Multi Agency Safeguarding Hub (M.A.S.H.) 0800 1313 126. Email firstr@staffordshire.gov.uk
- Emergency Duty Services (out of hours safeguarding concerns) 0845 604 2886 or email eds.team.manager@staffordshire.gov.uk
- Staffordshire Police M.A.S.H. can be contacted on 101. In the event of an emergency please dial 999
- Stoke-on-Trent Children's Services: Advice and Referral Team (ART) 01782 235100
Emergency Duty Team: 01782 234234 (outside office hours, weekends and bank holidays)
Minicom: 01782 236037
- School Guidance around Asylum Seekers – Sam Hubzer (Central Throughcare Team) Tel: 01785 854906
Solihullsafeguardingteam@homeoffice.gsi.gov.uk
- Staffordshire Police Force coordinator : Mark Hardern

Tel: 07539 3636299 Email: mark.hardern@staffordshire.pnn.police.uk

- Staffordshire Police Prevent Team 01785 232054, 01785 233109 or email prevent@staffordshire.pnn.police.uk
- Staffordshire County Council's Education Safeguarding Advice Service

01785 895836 e-mail : esas@staffordshire.gov.uk

- LADO Staffordshire (01785) 278958 or mobile: 07580805368
- DoLS Team – Deprivation of Liberty Safeguards is the name for the process by which someone who does not have the mental capacity to agree to arrangements for their accommodation, treatment and care

Tel: 01785 895665 Email: deprivationofliberty@staffordshire.gov.uk

Local Advice

- Entrust Learning Technologies ICT/Computing/E-safety Teacher Consultants 0300 111 8030
- Families First Local Support team (Staffordshire) email families.first@staffordshire.gov.uk
- Fostering Service (Staffordshire) 0800 169 2061 email fostering&adoptionbus@staffordshire.gov.uk Out of Hours: Emergency Duty Service 01785 354030
- Staffordshire Safeguarding Children Board 01785 277151 sscb.admin@staffordshire.gov.uk
- Entrust HR Services (subscription basis) 01785 278961
- Fostering Service (Stoke-on-Trent) 01782 234555 Email: fostering@stoke.gov.uk
- Stoke-on-Trent Family Information Service Hub (F.I.S.H) 01782 232200 email fish@stoke.gov.uk

NSPCC

Harmful Sexual Behaviour project: 0844 892 0273

Base 58 – support for children who have been subjected to or are at risk of sexual exploitation (Stoke on Trent only) 01782 286862; www.brighter-futures.org.uk

Staffordshire Fire and Rescue Service Headquarters, Pirehill, Stone, Staffordshire, ST15 0BS

- In an emergency always dial 999
- General enquires: 08451 22 11 55
- To book a free home fire risk check: 0800 0241 999

National Contacts

- Police (Non-emergency 101)
- CEOP (Child Exploitation and Online Protection) <http://ceop.police.uk/>
- Professionals Online Safety Helpline – 0844 381 4772 www.saferinternet.org.uk/helpline
- Internet Watch Foundation (IWF) – <http://www.iwf.org.uk>
- Safer Internet Centre – helpline@saferinternet.org.uk
- Childline – 0800 1111 www.childline.org.uk
- Ofsted – General enquiries : 0300 123 1231

About Schools: 0300 123 4234

Concerns : 0300 123 4666

e-mail: enquiries@ofsted.gov.uk

- Radicalisation: HM Government (advice on protecting children from radicalisation for parents, teachers and leaders) www.educateagainsthate.com
- UK Human Trafficking Centre (UKHTC):

Tel. 0844 778 2406; Fax: 08704965534 Email: UKHTC@nca.x.gsi.gov.uk

- UK boarder Agency - www.gov.uk/government/organisations/uk-visa-sand-immigration

Useful websites

- Staffordshire Safeguarding Children Board <http://www.staffscb.org.uk>
- Stoke-on-Trent Safeguarding Children Board <http://www.safeguardingchildren.stoke-on-trent.gov.uk>
- Child Exploitation and Online Protection Centre (CEOP) – www.ceop.police.uk & www.knowaboutcse.co.uk
- NSPCC – 24 hour Child Protection Helpline 0808 800 5000

<https://www.nspcc.org.uk/>

- WOMENS AID - 24 Hour Helpline: **0870 2700 123**

http://www.staffordshirewomensaid.org/contact_us/

- UNICEF – Support Care Team 0300 330 5580 (Mon – Fri 8am-6pm). If you think a child is in immediate danger, please call 999.

www.unicef.org.uk