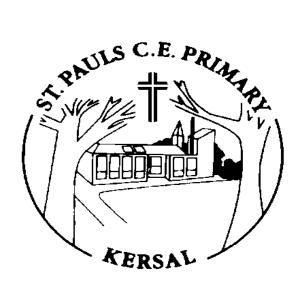


## **Child Friendly Safeguarding Policy**



We want St.Paul's to be a safe place. The adults in our school will do everything to make sure you are protected and happy. To help them do this they have lots of rules to follow. This policy will help you understand what Safeguarding means to you and help you decide what could be a problem and who you should talk to.

The adults in school think that Safeguarding means that they should:

- Protect you from harm
- Make sure nothing stops you from being healthy or developing properly
- Make sure you are safely looked after
- Make sure you have the best life chances and can grow up happy and successful

They agree that to make sure they look after you they will:

- Make the school a friendly, welcoming and supportive place to spend time in somewhere you want to be
- Be there for you to talk to if you need to and know who to ask for help
- Give you safe messages in your lessons to help you learn how to look after yourself both online and in the real world
- Have all the right rules in place to help look after you. They will follow these rules all of the time (these rules are sometimes called policies)

## Abuse

When someone hurts you it can be called abuse. This is when someone does something to you that is harmful, unpleasant or painful like:

- If someone deliberately hits you, hurts you, injures you or humiliates you in different ways.
- If someone says or does something that makes you feel bad about yourself or hurts your feelings, which makes you feel scared, upset, sad or frightened.
- If someone shouts, threatens, hits or hurts someone you love whilst you are around which makes you scared, unhappy or worried

- If someone doesn't take proper care of you so you feel abandoned, lonely or neglected. You might not be able to eat or wash regularly or you might not be able to come to school every day on time.
- If someone touches you in a way that you don't like (maybe touching your private parts) or makes you look at things which make you feel ashamed, embarrassed, uncomfortable or guilty. They may ask you to keep it a secret or give you presents.

Abuse is <u>never ok</u> and if you are being or have been abused you must remember — it is not your fault. You must <u>always tell someone</u> and they will help it to stop.

## In and out of school

All the staff at St.Paul's will do their best to make sure the building is safe for you to learn in and spend time in. We will make sure that we know who everyone is in the school by asking visitors to sign in at reception. All our visitors to school will wear a badge. Staff will look after you if the fire alarm goes off. When you are on a school trip staff will make sure you are safe wherever you are going.

At St.Paul's we will help you in the following ways:

- We will do our best to spot if there is a problem.
- We will work with other people (including people at home) to help protect you and solve any problems you have
- We will listen if you want to talk to us and need our help.
- We will support and encourage you and will respect your wishes and views.

At St.Paul's you can talk to any member of staff.

## Do not be scared to tell someone straight away – We will always listen

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