The national PREVENT programme

The government has introduced a national programme aimed to safeguard communities from extremist attitudes and behaviours that may ultimately have devastating consequences. All staff and governors in our school have, or will soon have, accessed Prevent training.
Our school's Prevent Policy is now on the school website along with a leaflet available for parents to explain how together we can make a difference by:

- encouraging our children to develop strong moral values of tolerance and respect
- helping our children to be secure in who they are and therefore more able to stand up for what is right and / or turn away from wrong
- allowing our children opportunities to think deeply for themselves about the morality of political, racist, religious, gender and other issues in terms of equality, respect and potential extremism.



First Aid

If you require first aid during your visit please ask at the office.

Qualified First Aiders are:-

Mrs G. Clarke

Mrs A Chambers

Miss P Rutherford

Mrs L Patchett

Mrs J Creswell



E Safety

To ensure E safety at St. Michael's C E Primary School, we monitor use of the internet by all staff, pupils and visitors. Please ask to see our e safety policy if you require more details. If you have any concerns about e safety during your visit, please report these to reception immediately.

St. Michael's CE Primary School Visitor Information

St. Michael's C E Primary School is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children, and requires all staff, volunteers and visitors to share this commitment.

Visitor Procedures

- All visitors must sign in and out at Reception and gain entry to school through the main door opened by a member of staff. Children are not allowed to open the door to visitors.
- All visitors will be issued with an appropriate pass which must be displayed at all times whilst on site.
- Visitors will be asked to remain under the supervision of a designated member of staff whilst on site.
- Please do not use your mobile phone during your visit. Ensure that it is turned off whilst you are here, or leave it in the School Office. Under no circumstances should you take photographs of our children whilst at school.
- Smoking is not permitted in any area of the school building or grounds.
- If you need to use the toilet please ask a member of staff who will direct you to our adult facilities.
- In the event of a fire, please evacuate by the nearest exit and make your way, if safe to do so, to the driveway at the front of the school and await further instruction.
- If you feel you need assistance during an evacuation, please speak to the office on your arrival.

Safeguarding at St. Michael's CE Primary School

TYPES OF HARM

Everybody has responsibility to keep children under the age of 18 safe. This applies to both the home and the school environment.

There are four main types of abuse:

Physical Abuse
This may involve hurting or injuring a child by hitting, shaking, poisoning, burning, scalding, drowning, suffocating or otherwise causing physical harm to a child.

Emotional Abuse
Persistent emotional ill treatment of a child. It may involve telling children that they are worthless or unloved, inadequate, or valued only insofar as they meet the needs of another person.

Sexual Abuse
Forcing or enticing a child or young person to take part in sexual activities, whether or not the child is aware of what is happening. It may also include non-contact activities such as involving children in inappropriate sexual activities.

Neglect
Persistent failure to meet a child's basic physical and/or psychological needs, which is likely to result in the serious impairment of the child's health or development. Witnessing domestic abuse is also harmful to children.

Designated Safeguarding Lead

Alison Chambers

Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead

Michele Lewis

Safeguarding at St. Michael's CE Primary School

What to do if you are worried about a child

If you become concerned:

- **about something a child says**
- **about marks on a child**
- **about changes in a child's behaviour or demeanour**
- **that a child might be at risk of harm but are unsure**

you must inform the Designated Safeguarding Lead or the Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead immediately who will offer advice and take appropriate action.

Child abuse happens to all children regardless of gender, culture, religion, social background and those with or without a disability.

A copy of the school Child Protection Policy is available in the school office and on the school website.

What to do if a child discloses they are being harmed

Whilst this can be an alarming situation, it is important that you know what to do in such an eventuality, and for you to stay calm and controlled.

- Listen carefully to the child, particularly what is said spontaneously.
- Remember not to show shock or disbelief.
- Do not promise confidentiality. Reassure the child but do not make promises that might not be possible to keep.
- Reassure the child that you will tell the teacher or Headteacher who will be able to help them.
- Do not interrogate or ask leading questions.
- Reassure the child that it is not their fault; stress that it was right to tell.

If it helps you to remember what happened please write down what the child said in their words immediately afterwards using the pink Cause for Concern safeguarding form on the noticeboard in the staff room and pass on personally to one of the Designated Safeguarding Leads as a priority. Alternatively, speak to one of the Designated Safeguarding Leads ***immediately.***