

Child-Friendly Safeguarding Policy

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Feeling safe and happy at school

At Joseph Turner Primary School, we want to make sure that you feel looked after, safe and happy when you are in and out of school.

Sometimes we don't know if something bad is happening, so you need to tell us.

This policy looks at safeguarding, and what you can do when you feel that there is something bad happening to you or someone else that should not be.

We can help you by:

- Teaching you what safeguarding is.
- Teaching you what to do if you feel like you are not safe.
- Making sure you know the grown-ups you can speak to if you are worried.



1 What is safeguarding?

At Joseph Turner Pimary School we safeguard all of our children by making sure that you feel safe at home and in school. All of the staff around you think that your health, safety and welfare are very important. The staff make sure you are safe by:

- Being there for you to speak to at any time.
- Providing you with a safe place to learn.
- Providing you with information on the pupil safeguarding board.
- The worry box.
- Discussions during PHSE on how to keep yourself safe.

2 What type of things do you need to be safeguarded from?

- Bullying If you think another child or a grown up is bullying you or someone you know, you must tell your parents/carers, a teacher or someone you can trust as soon as you can.
- Saying funny things to you If another child or a grown up says something to you, or you hear something that you do not like or that upsets you, you must tell your parents/carer, a teacher or someone you can trust as soon as you can.
- Touching you Your body belongs to you and not to anyone else. This
 means all of your body. Remember the NSPCC pants rule:



Pants are private.



Always remember your body belongs to you.



No means no!



Talk about secrets that upset you.



Speak up, someone can help.

- If someone touches you on a part of your body like your bottom, chest or anywhere else you do not like, it is not ok. You must tell your parents/carers, a teacher or someone you can trust as soon as you can.
- Hitting, punching or smacking you If a child or a grown up hits you, punches or smacks you or hurts you in any way, you must tell your parents/carers, a teacher or someone you can trust as soon as you can.
- Secrets Secrets such as surprise parties are fun, but some secrets are
 not good and should never be kept. If someone asks you to keep a secret
 that makes you feel uncomfortable you must tell your parents/carers, a
 teacher or someone you can trust as soon as you can.
- Presents Presents are a good thing to get, but you should not take a
 present from anyone without checking with your parents/carers first.

 Most of the time it will be ok, but sometimes people try and trick
 children into doing something by giving them presents (like sweets,
 money, phones, cigarettes or drugs and alcohol) This is sometimes called a
 bribe. If it does not seem right, it probably isn't so tell someone as soon
 as you can.
- On the computer, laptop, tablet or your phone Computers and mobile
 phones help us all to share things and talk to our friends or family, but
 they can also make it easier for bullies and other people that want to hurt
 you to get close to you. It is important to know how to keep yourself safe
 on all of your devices and on websites.

3 Need to talk?

Don't be afraid to talk to an adult, we are here to help. There are lots of adults that you can talk to in school:

- Teachers
- Learning Support Practitioners
- Dinner Supervisors
- Head Teacher Mrs Collins
- Deputy Head Teacher Mrs Blackhurst
- Assistant Head Teachers Mrs Purcell and Mr Weaver
- Designated Safeguarding Lead Mrs Cutler
- Positive Behaviour Mentor Mrs Jarvis and Miss Jones
- School Counsellor Mr Lea
- Attendance and Welfare Officer Miss Harrison

4 What happens after you have shared your worries with an adult?

Adults at school cannot keep your worries to themselves. Sometimes they will need to check things with your Head Teacher - Mrs Collins, or the Designated Safeguarding Lead - Mrs Cutler and then if they can deal with the issue themselves, they will.

There are times when they may need to contact other agencies for support. That may be Sandwell Children's Trust (Social Workers) or the Police. There are lots of other agencies who support children and their families as well.

Sometimes the adult may need to speak to your parents/carer as it may be something that your parents can sort out for you.

Whichever adult you choose to speak to in school will explain all of this to you and you can always ask them questions if you are unsure about anything.

5 Remember...

We want you to feel safe at school and at home.

There are lots of adults at school that you can talk to at school.

Speak up, someone can and will help.





