

**Safeguarding is everyone's responsibility.**

Anybody with a concern about a child in Westmorland and Furness can contact Children's Services on this single number.

**03003732724**

The single contact number for Children's Services to speak to a Duty Social Worker who is based in the Westmorland and Furness Safeguarding Hub (out of hours number) **03003033892** should you have any concerns.

#### Useful contacts

Further information and guidance on the procedures can be found on the Cumbria Local Safeguarding Children's Board website: [www.cumbrialscb.com](http://www.cumbrialscb.com)



Other useful websites include the NSPCC, Barnados, [www.parentlineplus.org.uk](http://www.parentlineplus.org.uk), [www.childline.org.uk](http://www.childline.org.uk), [www.bullying.co.uk](http://www.bullying.co.uk)



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# Safeguarding Information for parents



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South Walney Infant and Nursery School recognises the importance it gives to all pupils' welfare and Safeguarding, a statement reflected in our last Ofsted report that said,

"Governors and leaders have established a very strong culture of safeguarding in the school. There are robust systems for checking and recording the suitability of staff and volunteers who work with children. Governors and leaders have established clear practices for protecting pupils from extremism and radicalisation and for keeping pupils safe from harm."  
(Ofsted July 2018)

Child protection or safeguarding means protecting children from any form of physical or emotional abuse or neglect. It also means helping children to grow up into confident, healthy and happy adults.

Most children enjoy generally happy childhood experiences within their own family. For some, this might not be the case. During difficult times, everyone who knows the child must do the best they can to protect them from future harm.

The purpose of this leaflet is to share with you our safeguarding practice and the responsibility we have to safeguard all pupils.

"Safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children is everyone's responsibility. Everyone who comes into contact with children and their families has a role to play. In order to fulfil this responsibility effectively, all practitioners should make sure their approach is child-centred. This means that they should consider, at all times, what is in the best interests of the child."  
(Keeping Children Safe in Education 2021)

South Walney Infant and Nursery School is committed to the welfare of our children and we regard the safeguarding of children as paramount.

The school works to safeguard children through;

- \* Safe processes-the school's policies are there to safeguard children
- \* Establishing and maintaining a safe environment where children feel secure and will be listened to in an open positive atmosphere
- \* Ensuring that children know that there are 'trusted' adults in school and can name who they can approach if they are worried, in difficulty or have 'yucky feelings'.
- \* We actively seek the views of children, listening to them and involving them in decisions about their education.
- \* Including in the curriculum activities and opportunities for PSHE/Citizenship and Kidsafe, which equip children with the skills they need to stay safe from abuse
- \* Making any referrals necessary to ensure the well-being of a pupil is safe-guarded.
- \* Encouraging a high level of attendance and punctuality
- \* A commitment to establish effective, supportive relationships with parents and colleagues from other agencies
- \* Involving children in decision making through the school council
- \* Ensure that all adults within our school have the required DBS check

"No single practitioner can have a full picture of a child's needs and circumstances. If children and families are to receive the right help at the right time, everyone who comes into contact with them has a role to play in identifying concerns, sharing information and taking prompt action."

(Keeping Children Safe in Education 2021)



The school's Safeguarding Policy applies to all staff and other adults, working in school, who come into contact with children.

The full Child Protection Policy and Behaviour and Discipline Policy can be viewed at the office or on our website.

The safety and welfare of all children is the responsibility of everyone working in school. The Acting Headteacher, Mrs Ensoll, is the Designated Safeguarding Lead (DSL) with responsibility for Safeguarding/child protection and in her absence Mrs Squires /Ms Ridgway/Ms Bolton are the Deputy DSL's. Julie Pearson is the Nominated Governor with responsibility for Safeguarding /child protection.