

## Safeguarding at Wootton Wawen Primary School

Safeguarding is about ensuring that everyone is safe from harm, safe from bullying, safe from people who could abuse, safe from discrimination or harassment: safe from all types of abuse. At Wootton Wawen CE Primary School the safety and well-being of all children is of utmost importance. The school ensures appropriate policies, procedures, staff training and monitoring is in place to provide a safe, supportive and caring learning environment for our children.

Parents and carers should know that the law (Children Act 1989) requires all school staff to pass on information which gives rise to a concern about a child's welfare, including risk from neglect, physical, emotional or sexual abuse. Staff will seek, in general, to discuss any concerns with the parent/carer and, where possible, seek their consent to make a referral to Children's Social Care if that is considered necessary. **This will only be done where such discussion will not place the child at increased risk of significant harm or cause undue delay.** The school will seek advice from Children's Social Care when they have reasonable cause to suspect a child may be suffering or likely to suffer significant harm. Occasionally, concerns are passed on which are later found to be unfounded. Parents/carers will appreciate that the school's Designated Safeguarding Lead carries out their responsibilities in accordance with the law and acts in the best interests of all children.

If you are concerned that a child is suffering ANY form of neglect, abuse or cruelty, please do not hesitate to speak to one of the following designated persons at our school:

- Mrs. M. Jones (Lead Designated Person and Head Teacher)
- Mrs. S. Gair (Designated Person and Deputy Head Teacher)
- Mrs. J. Hemming (Designated Person and Member of SLT)
- Mr A. Walker (Governor with responsibility for Safeguarding)

You can also contact Warwickshire Children's Team on: **01926 410410** Lines are open from Monday to Friday (8am – 8pm) and Saturday (9am – 4pm)

If you need to get in touch out of usual office hours, please contact the Local Children's Team immediately on: **01926 886922**

NSPCC Child Protection 080 8800 5000