

Safeguarding and child Protection

Safeguarding is the action that people take to protect the health, well-being and rights of individuals, that allows people, especially children, young people and vulnerable adults to live free from abuse, harm and neglect.

Child protection is the process of protecting children and young people who have been identified as suffering, or likely to suffer harm as a result of abuse.

Living a life that is free from harm and abuse is a fundamental human right and an essential requirement for health and well-being.

The responsibilities of professionals

Section 11 of the Children Act 2004 places legal duties on organisations, and individuals to pay careful attention to the need to safeguard and promote the welfare of children

We have a safeguarding and child protection policy that sets out our process for dealing with safeguarding concerns. **If you would like to have a copy of this policy, just ask.**

This policy also sets out the process for reporting concerns complaints about my conduct/the conduct members of staff, including volunteers in relation to the safeguarding or protection of children.

Families have a right to expect professionals to provide a safe and secure environment for children

What you need to know

If anyone in our organisation is worried about the welfare of your child, this will be discussed with you unless they think that this conversation could put your child at a greater risk of harm.

We have a legal duty to talk to other agencies such as Children's Social Care and the Police if we think a child may be at risk of harm.

The social worker may consult with other agencies before deciding what should happen next. They will also speak to you about the concern and keep you informed about what is happening.

The welfare of your child is the most important thing

Sources of support and advice:

www.wiltshiresvpp.org.uk/parents/carers

The three Wiltshire safeguarding partners (Police Wiltshire Council and Health) provide advice and links to resources for parents to help keep their children safe

www.nspcc.org.uk (search 'support for parents')

It can be difficult for parents to know when and how to talk to their child about staying safe. NSPCC has a range of resources to help.

www.fear-less.org.uk (formerly Splitz)

FearLess provide Wiltshire's domestic abuse and sexual violence support services

If you have a safeguarding concern about any child, act immediately and contact

- Children's MASH (Multi-Agency Safeguarding Hub) on **0300 456 0108**, or Emergency Duty Service **0300 456 0100** (5pm - 8.45am)

If you have safeguarding concerns about a vulnerable adult contact

- Adult MASH **0300 4560111**

In any emergency **call 999**

or Call 999 and press 55 if you are unable to speak on the phone

Your child can access support at:

www.kooth.com

Kooth provides safe and anonymous support for mental wellbeing

www.youngminds.org.uk

Young Minds provides advice for parents and young people about young people's behaviour and mental health

www.childrenssociety.org.uk/

The Children's Society online Advice hub aims to answer any questions your child may have about problems in their life and provide the right information to get help when they need it.

Organisation contact details

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Website

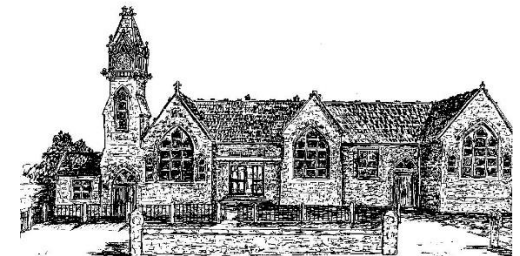
www.box.wilts.sch.uk

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Information for parents and families



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