

Stanford Junior & Infant School

Safeguarding Newsletter - Autumn 2019

Welcome to our first termly Safeguarding Newsletter. Here you will find some useful information and signposts about the work we do here in school to keep your children safe.

At Stanford Junior & Infant School we recognise our moral and statutory responsibility to safeguard and promote the welfare of all our pupils. One of our central aims as a school is to provide an environment where children feel safe, are respected and valued. As such we are always alert to the potential signs of abuse and neglect and will follow our statutory duties to ensure that children receive effective support and protection where needed.

Who's Who -

Our Designated Safeguarding / Child Protection Officer is Mrs Smith (Deputy Head)

Our Deputy Designated Safeguarding / Child Protection Officer is Mrs Hackfath (Head Teacher)

Our Safeguarding Governors are Mrs Julie Childs (Chair of Governors) and Mrs Liz Wright (Governor)

IF YOU ARE CONCERNED ABOUT THE SAFETY OR WELFARE OF YOUR CHILD, OR A CHILD YOU KNOW, YOU SHOULD ACT WITHOUT DELAY - PLEASE SPEAK TO ANY MEMBER OF STAFF IN SCHOOL OR CALL THE LOCAL SAFEGUARDING TEAM ON 01472 325555 OR CONTACT THE POLICE ON 101 or 999 IN AN EMERGENCY.

The North East Lincolnshire Safeguarding Children Partnership (NELSCP) replaced the Local Safeguarding Children Board (LSCB) on 29th June 2019.

The vision of the NELSCP is to work together to ensure the safeguarding arrangements within NEL are proactive, robust, effective and clear.

The Partnerships

Three partners work together with a shared equal responsibility for safeguarding. They are: Humberside Police, NHS North East Lincolnshire Clinical Commissioning Group and North East Lincolnshire Council.

Multi-Agency Safeguarding Hub (MASH)

Formally known as the FFAP Team. This is a single point of access for all enquiries relating to immediate concerns for the welfare of a child. MASH also get involved if it hasn't been possible to improve life for a child with and Early Help plan. To report a child welfare or child protection concern, the referring agency should complete a contact form and send it to mash@nelincs.gov.uk. They will then arrange for a social worker to commence a full assessment. You can also let us know by phone on 01472 326292 (opt 2)

<u>Together for All – Thresholds of Need</u> The thresholds of need details how North East Lincolnshire work together to support and safeguard children and families including:

- The thresholds for access to services to support actions required to improve outcomes for children •
- How the partnership ensures that children and families get the right support at the right time
- Identifies how the crossing points between early help, safeguarding and child protection

Please see the leaflet attached with this newsletter for more information on the Thresholds of Need document. This can also be found on http://www.safernel.co.uk/nelsafeguarding-children-partnership/

Young Minds Matter (YMM)

Formally known as CAMHS. Young Minds Matter provides an emotional wellbeing and mental health service with a focus on prevention, early intervention and building a resilient community for children and young people up to the age of 19 years (25 if under SEND) in North East Lincolnshire.



Safeguarding at Stanford School is...

'Everyone's responsibility, every day'

KEEPING CHILDREN SAFE IN EDUCATION SEPTEMBER 2019

Table of changes / Updates

Where	What
Summary	
Page 4	Removed reference to multi-agency "transitional" arrangements from the summary on page 4 (as the new three safeguarding partner arrangements must be in place by September 2019)
Part one	
Abuse and neglect	A number of paragraphs have been moved in Part 1 to improve the flow of this section. Content has not been changed but the information that was included at the end of Part 1 covering abuse, neglect and safeguarding issues has been moved to the "What school and college staff should look out for section"
Paragraph 27	Reference to upskirting included (which is now a criminal offence)
Paragraph 29-30	New paragraphs on serious violence
Paragraph 53	Updated the link to the NSPCC helpline
Part two	
Paragraphs 68-75	Multi-agency working updated to reflect new safeguarding partner arrangements
Paragraph 79	Updated to make it clear that the DPA/GDPR does not prevent schools from withholding education data where doing so would be in the interests of a child in a refuge
Paragraph 89	Updated to reflect the new requirements for Relationships Education, Relationships and Sex Education and Health Education
Paragraph 91	Updated to reflect new Ofsted framework
Paragraph 91	Removed the reference to the School Inspection Service as they no longer inspect independent schools
Part three	
Paragraph 122	Removed reference to section 167A of the Education Act

As you may be aware the key documentation for safeguarding in schools is Keeping Children Safe in Education (KCSIE) A new version of this document came into operation on September 1st 2019.

<u>Upskirting</u>

This is now a criminal offence and should be reports to the police. Upskirting is taking photographs under a persons clothes for either sexual gratification or humiliation. Any suspicion of peer on peer abuse should be reports to the DSL.

This can be found using the following link; https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/ government/uploads/system/uploads/ attachment_data/file/828312/ Keeping_children_safe_in_education.pdf

Recent and Up and Coming events

Young Minds Matter will be delivering a range of assemblies, workshops and presentations to our pupils this term on a variety of topics:

25th September- Whole School assembly on 'What is Mental Health?'

13th November-Assembly on Negative Thinking

Dates for the diary

10th October- World Mental Health Day

11th November- Anti- Bullying Week

18th November- Road Safety Week

18th November- Humberside Fire delivering whole school assembly on Road Safety

<u>Parent Workshop</u>

There will be a parent workshop on **7th October**, **3pm—5pm on 'What is Mental Health?'** The aims of this workshop is to understand what mental health is, what you could do in the family home to keep children and young people mentally healthy and for you to leave with some ideas for your family home. We look forward to seeing you at this fantastic workshop.