



Safeguarding children in our school

Safeguarding children is the responsibility of everyone.

As such all the staff in our school have a duty to safeguard and promote the welfare of children. This duty is placed upon school by Section 175 of the Education Act 2002.

This means that we have a Designated Officer for Child Protection.

If we are concerned that a child may be at risk from significant harm (abuse) or is being abused school is required to refer their concerns onto Social Care and the police if necessary. In some circumstances this may happen without the consent or knowledge of parents/carers.

School also has a responsibility to act upon other concerns that they may have about a child's welfare in circumstances where there are no suspicions of child abuse. Examples of this may be when a child is demonstrating inappropriate behaviour, is involved in bullying, is failing to come to school or where difficulties at home are having an effect upon the child's well being. However this list is by no means exhaustive.

In Stockport there is an expectation that school will always discuss these issues with parents/carers before deciding upon a course of action to support the child.

Our school has a safeguarding policy which explains all the above in much more detail. If you would like to see the policy please contact school to find the best way to access it easily.

Declaration:

I have read and understood this statement and have access to the school's safeguarding policy

Signed: (parent/carer)

of (child's name)

Date: