

Safeguarding Information for Parents

At Kingsway Primary School, there is nothing more important to us than the physical and emotional health and well-being of our pupils. we work tirelessly to ensure that all aspects of school life are safe for pupils, staff, parents, carers and all our visitors. If we have any qualifying safeguarding concerns, we have a duty of care to report to social services.

We believe that every person within our school has the responsibility to ensure the well-being and safety of everyone who uses our site. Whether that is through following agreed procedures, taking time to notice and listen if things aren't going well, reporting concerns or ensuring a physically and emotionally safe environment.

Who is responsible?

Miss Baskeyfield is our school Designated Safeguard Lead and she is supported in this by the Designated Deputies, Miss Lowe and Mrs Jones.

You can contact our DSL or DDSLs on 0161 748 1867.

If you are ever concerned about the well-being of a child, please contact Miss Baskeyfield or speak directly to a member of staff who can put you in contact with a member of the Safeguarding team.



How do we keep our children safe?

We want our school to be a place where children are safe from harm, know their rights, know that staff have their welfare at heart, and that they will always be listened to if they want to discuss a problem. Some examples of the way we do this are listed below. Please scan QR code to visit our School Policies Page to read our Safeguarding Policies



Child Protection and Safeguarding Policy

This policy is updated annually to reflect new guidance and legislation. The school is a safe environment in which children thrive and develop and follows the Local Authority School Safeguarding arrangements which encompass the DfE's 'Keeping Children Safe in Education', which is updated annually.

Types of Abuse

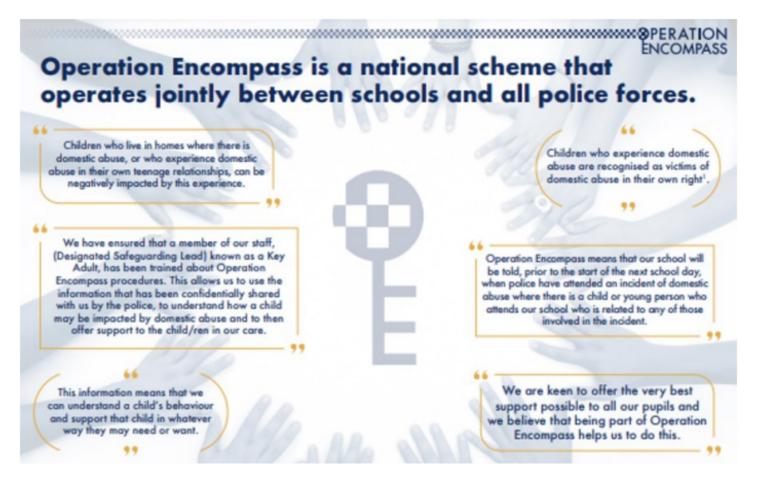
Kingsway Primary School is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of all children. We recognise that children may face different forms of abuse and we work together to protect children from harm. As well as being abused by adults, children can be abused by other young people. This is known as 'child on child abuse'. The school is committed to preventing child on child abuse and will protect children that may be suffering, or at risk of suffering harm perpetrated by another child. We have a zero tolerance approach to child on child abuse and this should not be tolerated or passed off as 'banter', 'just having a laugh', 'part of growing up' or 'boys being boys' as this can lead to a culture of unacceptable behaviours and an unsafe environment for children. We maintain an attitude of 'it could happen here' and act in the best interests of the child.

Child on child abuse refers to any scenario where a child under the age of 18 mistreats another child under the age of 18. It can take place online or offline. The children involved do not have to be the same age and the perpetrator may be older or younger than the victim. Child on child abuse could include (but is not limited to): - bullying (including cyberbullying, prejudice-based and discriminatory bullying); physical abuse; sexual harassment, such as sexual comments, remarks, jokes and online sexual harassment, which may be standalone or part of a broader pattern of abuse.

Safer Recruitment

The school practices 'Safer Recruitment' with regard to checking the suitability of all staff and volunteers who work in school.

Operation Encompass



Our School is an 'Operation Encompass' School. Miss Baskeyfield, Miss Lowe, Mrs Jones, Mr Walker, Mr Taylor and Mr Dale are the key adults trained in operation Encompass procedures.

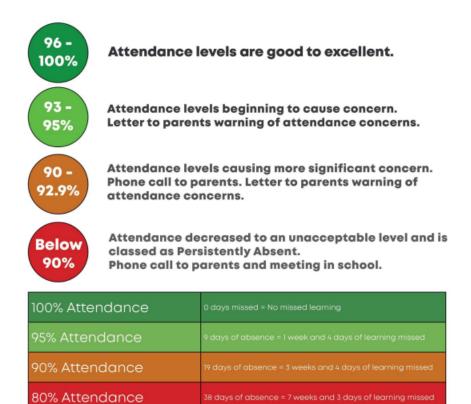
Attendance and Punctuality

We monitor attendance closely. POOR ATTENDANCE IS A SAFEGUARDING ISSUE.

Children who miss a substantial amount of school, fall behind their peers and struggle to catch up. Most of the learning they miss cannot be made up which can lead to big gaps in their learning. Friendships can often be affected by persistent absence. It can be hard for a child who misses lots of school to form relationships with their classmates.

If your child struggles to come into school, we are here to help!

Please make contact with Miss Baskeyfield who will arrange a meeting to discuss how school can best support you and your child to overcome any barriers to attending school.



Why does School Attendance Matter?

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 up.
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A child who misses school just twice per month will miss out on 18 days education across the school year - that's nearly four weeks!