

## What will happen if we feel there is a safeguarding issue?

As a school we are required to share information about concerns and pupil welfare issues with external agencies on a need to know basis.

Should a child make a disclosure we will contact the appropriate agencies. If we are advised that a child may be put at further risk and adults should not be informed we will follow this advice.

Where allegations concern members of staff these will be dealt with in accordance with our LA child protection procedures

## What do to do if you have a safeguarding concern?

Speak to the school immediately. The Designated Safeguarding Officer is Miss Simmons. If you cannot reach her then speak to Mr. Smith the Headteacher.

# A parent's guide to safeguarding



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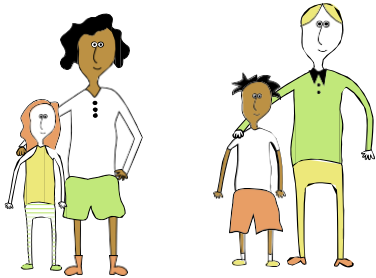
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## What is safeguarding?

Safeguarding is essentially about keeping children and young people safe from abuse or neglect.



All those who come into contact with children and families in their everyday work, including people who do not have a specific role in relation to child protection, have a duty to safeguard and promote the welfare of children.



## Why is safeguarding important?

At Baden Powell Primary School we understand that promoting the welfare of all the children who live and learn within our community means ensuring that we create every opportunity for our children to grow, develop and achieve to their own potential whilst being protected from harmful influences and actions either on the part of others or themselves.



By doing this we will enable children to maximise their own life chances.

## How do we ensure that we safeguard all pupils?

It is our mission to promote the welfare of, and effectively safeguard, the children in our care by:

- valuing all our pupils as individuals
  - listening to pupils and taking only decisions that are in the best interest of the children.
  - respecting our pupils as individuals and ensuring they feel safe to raise any concerns within our school community.
  - ensuring that all adults entering the building sign in using the automatic system in the front office.
  - ensuring adherence to school policies on confidentiality and protection of personal information
  - making sure all Governors, staff, visitors and anyone else who is involved in the day to day life of Baden Powell are aware of and committed to the safeguarding policy and child protection procedures
  - recruiting staff and volunteers safely, ensuring all necessary checks are made
  - adopting a code of conduct for all staff and visitors to school which includes e-safety and the use of mobile phones etc.
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