



Keeping You Safe Policy (Child Friendly Safeguarding Policy)



At South Hiendley Primary School we try very hard to help to protect all of your rights and keep you safe. All of the adults who work in school think that your health, safety and welfare are very important. We do our best to help you to make good progress and feel safe and happy in this school. Through assemblies, circle times, PSHE and Ask-It sessions we teach you how to recognise risks in different situations, and how you can protect yourselves and stay safe.

How do we aim to protect you?

- We aim to provide a safe environment where you can learn.
- We want to help to ensure that you are safe, at home as well as at school.
- We think it is important for you to know where to get help if you are worried or unhappy about something.
- All the adults who work in this school have had special training to help you if you have a problem.
- We have designated adults in our school who make sure that any concerns or worries are followed up. These people are:

Mrs Sanderson - Headteacher

Mrs Whelan - Deputy Headteacher

Mrs Reed – Early Years Leader

Miss Barraclough - Learning Mentor

What if you need to talk?

You can talk to any adult in school if you need to. **Miss Barraclough**, our Learning Mentor, is really good at helping you with any problems.

There are 4 ways that children are sometimes harmed:

1. **Physical Abuse** – If someone is hitting, smacking, shaking, throwing, burning or biting you. **THIS IS WRONG!**
2. **Sexual Abuse** – If someone is touching you on parts of your body like your bottom, chest or anywhere else you do not like. If someone is touching your underwear or someone is making you watch things that are not appropriate or asking you to do things you do not want to do. **THIS IS WRONG!**

3. **Neglect** – If someone is not providing you with food or warmth or clothing or perhaps not taking you to the Doctors and Dentist when you need to go.
THIS IS WRONG!
4. **Emotional Abuse** – If someone is unkind to you, upsets you and makes you feel bad. If someone says horrible things to you and makes you feel sad and worthless.
THIS IS WRONG!

What problems might you have – either in school or out of school?

Is someone bullying you?

Is someone or a group of children intentionally being unkind or hurting you?

If so, you must tell someone at school so we can help you.

Examples of people you can tell are:

- Your Teacher
- The Learning Mentor
- The Headteacher
- A Teaching Assistant
- A Dinner Lady

Do NOT keep it a Secret!

Is someone saying strange things to you?

Has someone said something to you or have you heard something that you do not like or that upsets you?

If so, you must tell someone at school so we can help you.

Examples of people you can tell are:

- Your Teacher
- The Learning Mentor
- The Headteacher
- A Teaching Assistant
- A Dinner Lady

Do NOT keep it a Secret!

Is someone touching you?

Has someone touched you on a part of your body like your bottom, chest or anywhere else you do not like?

If so, you must tell someone at school so we can help you.

Examples of people you can tell are:

- Your Teacher
- The Learning Mentor
- The Headteacher
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Is someone trying to give you tablets, cigarettes, drugs or alcohol?

Has someone asked you if you want a tablet or to smoke a cigarette or have a drink of something and you do not know what it is? Do not eat, drink or smoke what they are giving you.

If so, you must tell someone at school so we can help you.

Examples of people you can tell are:

- Your Teacher
- The Learning Mentor
- The Headteacher
- A Teaching Assistant
- A Dinner Lady

Do NOT keep it a Secret!

Is someone hitting, punching or smacking you?

Has someone hit, punched or smacked you or hurt you in anyway?

If so, you must tell someone at school so we can help you.

Examples of people you can tell are:

- Your Teacher
- The Learning Mentor
- The Headteacher
- A Teaching Assistant
- A Dinner Lady

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Is someone sending you unkind messages over the internet?

Has someone sent you an unkind or rude message or photograph or asked you to do something on the internet which you know is wrong or you don't want to do?

If so, you must tell someone at school so we can help you.

Examples of people you can tell are:

- Your Teacher
- The Learning Mentor
- The Headteacher
- A Teaching Assistant
- A Dinner Lady

Do **NOT** keep it a Secret!

What will happen if you talk to an adult in school?

If you talk to an adult in school they will try hard to help you. They cannot keep what you tell them a secret. They will need to tell Mrs Sanderson.

Mrs Sanderson will talk to your mum and / or dad or people at home about what you have said. But **sometimes** Mrs Sanderson needs help from other people to help you. These people are:

- **Social Workers** - They are very good at working with children and helping.
- **Police** - They help to keep you safe.

If you are worried about anything we can help.

If in doubt, talk to someone. There are many adults at school for you to talk to and they will always do their best to help you.

Other people who can help:

- NSPCC (posters are displayed around school)
- Childline (posters are displayed around school)

Remember - Do **NOT** keep it a Secret!

Designated Safeguarding Lead: Mrs Sanderson

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