

The Priory School

Safeguarding Statement 2017-2018

At The Priory School the health, safety and well-being of every child is our top priority. We expect all staff, governors and volunteers to share this commitment to safeguarding our students.

We listen to our students and take what they tell us seriously. All school staff are trained in Child Protection and Safeguarding, and students are made aware of what to do or the adults they can talk to if they have any concerns. Staff are trained to look out for signs of physical/emotional harm or neglect and are required to report these to the Designated Safeguarding Lead (DSL).

The school has adopted a Safeguarding and Child Protection Policy for the safety of all. On rare occasions our concern about a student may mean that we have to consult other agencies. We will ensure that all concerns are discussed with parent/carers first, before any referrals are made, unless we believe that such a move may be contrary to a student's welfare.

Safeguarding includes child protection, health care plans, health and safety, site security, safety on school trips, anti-bullying work and much more.

The Priory School's Safeguarding Team consists of:

Mrs J Trimnell (Deputy Headteacher - DSL),

Mrs V Howes (Attendance Officer - Deputy DSL),

Ms H Taylor (Head of Lower School - Deputy DSL and CEOP),

Mr P Harrison (Head of Upper School - Deputy DSL)

Mrs A Cooper (Education Welfare Officer)

The school adheres to the following three DFE safeguarding documents:

- Working Together to Safeguard Children 2015
- Keeping Children Safe in Education 2016
- The Prevent Duty 2015