



Safeguarding Children at St Mary's Church of England Primary School

St Mary's Church of England Primary School is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and expects all staff and volunteers to share this commitment.

This means that we have Safeguarding Policies and procedures in place which we refer to on our website. All staff (including supply staff, volunteers and governors) must ensure that they are aware of these procedures. Parents and carers are welcome to read the policies.

Sometimes we may need to share information and work in partnership with other agencies when there are concerns about a child's welfare. We will ensure that our concerns about our pupils are discussed with his/her parents/carers first unless we have reason to believe that such a move would be contrary to the child's welfare.

Our Designated Safeguarding Leads are:

Mrs Jacquie Chambers (Headteacher)

Mrs Tiffany Harding (Deputy Headteacher)

Miss Helen Simmons (Deputy Headteacher)

Mrs Jo Severn (Assistant Headteacher)

Mrs Laura Merrick (Home School Link Worker)

Mrs Georgie Tongue (SENCO)

Mrs Nicki Bold (Hive Manager)

If you are concerned about a child's welfare, please record your concern, and any observations or conversation heard on a cause for concern form, and report to one of the DSLs as soon as possible the same day. Do NOT conduct your own investigation.

If your concerns relate to the actions or behaviour of a member of staff (which could suggest that s/he is unsuitable to work with children) then you should report this to one of the DSLs in confidence, who will refer the matter to the Headteacher (or the Chair of Governors if the concern relates to the Headteacher) – who will consider what action to take.

Jacquie Chambers

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