

You Can Find More Information

The Wiltshire Safeguarding
Children Board:

<https://www.wiltshiresvpp.org.uk/>

Keeping Children Safe in
Education 2023

www.gov.uk/government/publications/keeping-children-safe-in-education--2

NSPCC

<https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/reporting-abuse/report/>

Your Child Can Find Information

<https://www.childline.org.uk/>

Free 24-hour telephone helpline:

0800 1111

How do I report a concern

Should you have any concern with regards to the welfare or safety of a child we would strongly advise you contact the Local Authority Multi Agency Safeguarding Hub (MASH) to report it.

**Multi-Agency Safeguarding Hub (MASH),
0300 456 0108**

*(standard working hours: Monday to Thursday
from 8.45am to 5pm, Friday from 8.45am to
4pm)*

**Out of hours service
0300 456 0100**

*(Monday to Thursday 5pm to midnight, Friday
4pm to midnight, weekends and Bank Holidays
from 9am – midnight)*

Phones are diverted to the Social Work
Standby Service from midnight to 9am (7
days a week)

**If there is immediate danger, phone the
police or emergency services on 999**

It is important to remember that if a concern is to be acted upon it is important that it comes from first hand observations, however the Designated Safeguarding team at school are available for you to talk through any concerns you may have.

If you feel like you need support, please contact your local school at:

**Priestley Primary School
Prince Charles Drive
Calne
Wiltshire
SN11 8TG**

Tel: 01249 812608

admin@priestley.wilts.sch.uk



**Safeguarding
Children
Information
for
Parents**



What is Child Protection?

Child protection is the process of protecting children and young people who have been identified as suffering, or likely to suffer harm as a result of abuse.

There are five types of abuse:

Physical
Sexual
Emotional
Neglect
Domestic

Safeguarding is the action that people take to keep all children safe, for example:

- Protecting children from maltreatment.
- Preventing impairment of children's health or development.
- Ensuring that children grow up in circumstances consistent with the provision of safe and effective care.
- Taking action to enable all children to have the best outcomes.

ALL CHILDREN HAVE A RIGHT TO BE PROTECTED FROM HARM

The safeguarding of a child is paramount at Priestley and ensure we have a team of staff members that are specifically trained to ensure your is safe. The team is made up of a **Designated Safeguarding Lead (DSL) supported by 3 Deputy Designated Safeguarding Leads (DDSL's)**.

DSL: Mr Marsh-Ballard

DDSL: Mr Gibbens,

DDSL: Mrs Mitchard

DDSL: Mrs Marsh-Ballard

Priestley has a Child Protection Policy that is reviewed annually. This document sets out the process for dealing with child protection concerns. If you would like to read this policy, you may find it on your school's website.

https://www.priestley.wilts.sch.uk/files/ugd/3ad097_1aa5b10fcbab42d994d645b9b89cc949.pdf

Alternatively, we can provide you with a copy; please ask at the school office.

All adults at school receive regular training to ensure that they remain aware of the signs of abuse and know how to report their concerns.

They have a duty to report these to the Designated Safeguarding team.

We have a legal duty to talk to other agencies such as Children's Social Care and the Police if they think a child may be at risk of harm.

THE WELFARE OF YOUR CHILD IS OF PARAMOUNT IMPORTANCE

What do you need to know?

If anyone in school is worried about the welfare of a child, this will be discussed with you unless they think that this conversation could put your child at a greater risk of harm.

The school must also share all relevant information with Children's Social Care if they are concerned about a child.

A Social Worker may consult with other agencies before deciding what should happen next. They will also speak to you about the concern and keep you informed about what is happening.

If there is an allegation about an adult who works at the school, the school will hold discussions with the Local Authority Designated Officer for Allegations (DofA/LADO), the Police and Children's Social Care. If your child is involved, you will be kept informed of any discussions and decisions as appropriate.



FAMILIES HAVE A RIGHT TO EXPECT SCHOOLS TO PROVIDE A SAFE AND SECURE ENVIRONMENT FOR CHILDREN