

STUDENTS

You must tell a member of staff if at any time you feel unsafe or if you are concerned about a friend. We are here to help.

WHO TO TELL:

Mr Wigginton, Mrs Schafer
Mr Harris, Mrs Wise
Mrs Woodman, Mrs Hurst
or
Mr Davies
or
Your Tutor
or
Any other adult you trust

PARENTS AND CARERS

If you are concerned about a safeguarding issue, please share it with the Designated Safeguarding Lead, Mr. G. Wigginton or the Headteacher, Mrs J Schafer

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You can get further advice from
Cumbria's LSCB

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- Courage and compassion
- Respect and tolerance
- Inclusion and equality
- Optimism and perseverance
- Courtesy and respect

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Solway Community School



**Safeguarding and Child Protection
Information and Contact Details**

We have the moral purpose and courage to do the right thing for our students, to allow and inspire everyone to be what they are meant to be; to reach their potential; to be happy, safe and hardworking.

We work together as a community to make learning exciting and inspirational.

We have high expectations of everyone - students, staff and governors.

We are creating an environment which is free from cynicism and does not put limits on what our children can achieve.

Our Safeguarding Policy applies to all staff, governors and volunteers working in the school. There are six main elements to our policy:

Ensuring we practice safe recruitment in checking the suitability of staff and volunteers to work with children.

Raising awareness of child protection issues and equipping children with the skills needed to keep them safe.

Establishing a safe environment in which children can learn and develop.

Implementing procedures for identifying and reporting cases, or suspected cases, of abuse.

Supporting pupils who have been abused.

Ensuring all staff work within the guidance of the Safer Working Practices policy.

The Chair of Governors, Headteacher, and Business Manager completed Safer Recruitment Training

KEEPING OUR PUPILS SAFE

The Solway Community School Safeguarding Policy can be viewed on the website at

www.solway.cumbria.sch.uk

Or you can ask to see it at Reception.

The following **key contacts** may be useful and are accessible through the school.

Mr G Wigginton - Designated Safeguarding Lead.

Mrs J Schafer—Headteacher

Mrs R de Mello—Nominated Safeguarding Governor

The Head of House and the Tutor teams.

Other useful contacts:

Social Services Safeguarding Hub - (for 24 hour advice and child protection referrals) **03332401727**

Local Authority Designated Officer - (for allegations against school staff) **01768812267**

We recognise that because of the day to day contact with children, school staff are well placed to observe the outward signs of abuse. The school will therefore:

Establish and maintain an environment where children feel secure, are encouraged to talk, and are listened to.

Ensure children know that there are adults in the school whom they can approach if they are worried.

Include opportunities in the curriculum for children to develop the skills they need to recognise and stay safe from abuse.

We recognise that children who are abused or witness violence may find it difficult to develop a sense of self worth. They may feel helplessness, humiliation and some sense of blame. The school may be the only stable, secure and predictable element in the lives of children at risk. When at school their behaviour may be challenging and defiant or they may be withdrawn. The school will endeavour to support the pupil through:

The content of the curriculum.

The school ethos which promotes a positive, supportive and secure environment and gives pupils a sense of being valued.

The school behaviour policy which is aimed at supporting vulnerable pupils in the school. The school will ensure that the pupil knows that some behaviour is unacceptable but they are valued and not to be blamed for any abuse which has occurred.

Liaison with other agencies that support the pupil such as Children's Services, Child and Adolescent Mental Health Service, School Nurse and Educational Psychology Service.