



## Safeguarding

**Safeguarding means protecting children’s health, wellbeing and human rights, enabling them to live free from harm, abuse and neglect. It’s a collective responsibility aimed at preventing and addressing situations where individuals, especially vulnerable groups, are at risk.**

Howardian Primary School is committed to safeguarding and promoting the health and welfare of all children, and we expect all staff and volunteers to share this commitment.

### **Child Protection**

Child Protection refers to the measures taken to safeguard children from harm, including abuse, neglect, exploitation and violence. It involves identifying and addressing situations where a child is at risk of suffering significant harm, acting to protect them and providing support to promote their wellbeing.

### **Our Culture of Safeguarding**

Our culture of safeguarding is an essential element of our Wellbeing Strategy with positive relationships being at the heart of our school. This demonstrates our commitment to promoting and supporting a culture of safety and wellbeing both inside and outside of school and online.

Children’s Rights are also at the heart of our school. We are a Gold Right’s Respecting School. We believe that all children have a right to be safe from abuse (Article 19 of the United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child) and have a right to an education (Article 28 of the United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child).

Our culture of safeguarding includes but is not limited to:

- Child protection Policy
- ALN policies and practices
- Anti-bullying policy and procedures
- Attendance Policy
- Confidentiality of staff
- Cybersecurity, including GDPR

- E-safety and Internet safety
- Health & Safety Policy and practices
- Medical List
- Operation Encompass alerts
- Positive Behaviour Management Policy and practices
- Positive Handling Policy and practices
- Professional Learning and Development
- Safer recruitment procedures
- MyConcern Safeguarding reporting software
- Site Security
- Transition, including the handover of sensitive information
- Trips and Visits, including risk assessments, adult: child ratio and use of Evolve
- Wellbeing data/issues discussed at pupil progress meetings

### **Staff Responsible for Key Roles in Safeguarding**

At Howardian Primary School:

- Mrs Sian Burt, Headteacher is the Senior Designated Person for Safeguarding (DSP)
- Mr David Brind (Deputy Headteacher); Miss Sarah Griffiths (Assistant Head teacher) and Mr Dean Wheeler, Mrs Kelly Jones and Mrs Tania Steele
- Mrs Lisa Evans is our Governor for all matters relating to Safeguarding
- Safeguarding concerns related to the Head teacher should be referred directly to Cllr Sue Lent (Chair of Governors – Howardian Primary School)
- Staff may also contact Nikki Loukisas, Alexis Morley, Kate Willington or Amy Powell the Local Authority Safeguarding Officers on [educationsafeguarding@Cardiff.gov.uk](mailto:educationsafeguarding@Cardiff.gov.uk) or FASPH: 03000 133 133/ Emergency Duty Team: 02920 788570

**All staff have total commitment to safeguarding and child protection.**

