

Safeguarding Policy Child Friendly Version

Longton Primary School





What is this?

Your school has a Safeguarding Policy for staff, families and governors.

This 'child friendly' policy is designed for young people and this should be read as a guide to the main policy.

What is it for?

To help you decide what could be a 'problem' and where to get help and support.

Is someone bullying you?

You must tell someone at school so we can help you.

Bullying can be:

Emotional- hurting their feelings on purpose

Physical- hitting. Kicking, pushing, tripping over

Verbal- calling names, making fun of someone

Cyber- on a computer, tablet, phone, sending nasty messages or photographs

Prejudiced- bullying someone because of their culture, religion, colour of their skin, likes/dislikes or gender

Do NOT keep it a Secret!



If you see someone else being bullied:

Do-

Ask them to stop (if you feel confident)

Tell an adult

Make sure that the person being bullied is okay

Don't-

Join in

Try to sort it yourself

Saying funny things to you

Has someone said something to you or have you heard something that you do not like or upsets you?

You must tell someone at the school so we can help you

.



Touching you

Has someone touched you on a part of your body like your bottom, chest or anywhere else you do not like?

You must tell someone at school so we can help you.

Trying to give you tablets, cigarettes, drugs or alcohol

Has someone asked you if you want a tablet or to smoke a cigarette, or have a drink of something and you do not know what it is?

Do not eat, drink or smoke what they are giving you.



Hitting, punching or smacking you

Has someone hit, punched or smacked you or hurt you in anyway? You must tell someone at the school so we can help you.

DO NOT KEEP IT A SECRET!

The four main areas of Child Protection concerns are:

1. Physical Abuse – hitting, smacking, shaking, throwing, burning, biting etc
2. Sexual Abuse – be aware this doesn't always mean actually touching a child. It could be someone making you watch things to do with sex or encouraging you to act in an inappropriate way.
3. Neglect – this means things like not providing meals or warmth or clothing. Or perhaps not taking you to the Doctors when you need to go. There may be lots of different reasons why a child is neglected and it is really important that we know so we can help.
4. Emotional Abuse – This means when someone upsets you or makes you feel bad. If someone in your family says horrible things to you and makes you feel sad and worthless.

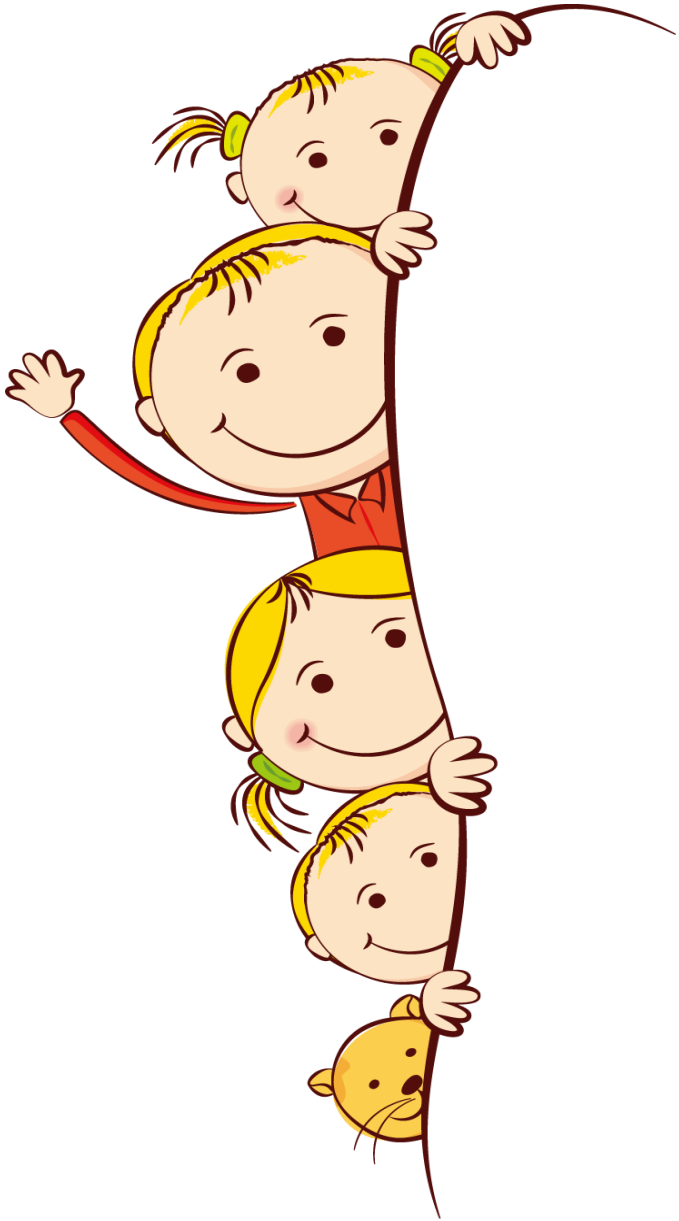
These are just a few examples for you and if you think you may have a problem that is similar to one of these then talk to someone

You must tell someone at the school so we can help you.

Examples of people you can tell are:

- Your Teacher
- Your Headteacher
- Relax Kids
- Your Assistant Teacher
- Your Dinner Lady
- The Office Staff

If in doubt, talk to someone. There are many staff at school for you to talk to and they will help support you.
Don't be afraid to talk.!



How does your school work to protect children?

There are lots of different ways, but one of the main ways is making sure the staff here at your school know how to keep you safe and also make sure you have someone to talk to if you need to.

Your Headteacher is here to support young people and their families if there is a Child Protection concern.

Safeguarding and Child Protection mean the same thing and they mean that we look after children and keep them safe.

Talk to someone

What are the next steps?

Sometimes a member of staff at your school will need to check things with your Headteacher and then if they can deal with the issue themselves, they will.

There are times though when they may need to contact some other agencies for support. These may be Children's Social Care (Social Workers) or Police.

There are lots of other agencies who support children and their families as well.

Your Headteacher will talk to you and explain all of this and you can always go and ask them questions if you are unsure about anything.

There are lots of other people too, who may help you with an upsetting problem and they do not work at your school but care about you just as much as we do.

Safeguarding means that all staff will:-

- ✓ Protect you from harm
- ✓ Make sure nothing stops you from being happy
- ✓ Make sure you are safely looked after
- ✓ Make sure you have the best life chances



We protect, support and nurture the
UK's most vulnerable children.

Website: <https://www.barnardos.org.uk/>

Email: info@barnardos.org.uk

Tel: 0208 550 8822

Emergency Numbers:

Tel: 0800 11 11 (Childline)

Tel: 0808 800 5000 (NSPCC 24hr Child Protection Helpline)



The Anti-Bullying Alliance is a unique
coalition of organisations and
individuals, working together to
achieve our vision to: stop bullying and
create safer environments in which
children and young people can live,
grow, play and learn.

Website: <http://www.anti-bullyingalliance.org.uk/>



The Child Exploitation and Online
Protection (CEOP) Command Centre is
a law enforcement agency and is here to
help keep children and young people
safe from sexual abuse and grooming
online.

CEOP Command is part of the [National Crime Agency](https://www.nca.gov.uk).

Tel: 0370 496 7622

Website: <https://www.ceop.police.uk/safety-centre/>



Freephone: 0800 1111 (24 hours)

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



Action for Children protect and
support children and young people,
provide practical and emotional care
and support, ensure their voices are
heard, and campaign to bring lasting
improvements to their lives.

General Enquires Tel: 0300 123 2112
(Monday - Friday: 9:00 - 17:00)