

Monkleigh Safeguarding Statement

Monkleigh Primary School is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people. We recognise that all adults including temporary staff, volunteers, parents and Governors have a full and active part to play in the protection of our pupils.

We believe that Monkleigh Primary School should provide a caring, positive, safe and stimulating learning environment that promotes the fair and just principles of British values to support the social, emotional, physical and moral development of each child.

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People to contact at Monkleigh regarding Child Protection and Safeguarding:

Designated Safeguarding Governor Mrs Leah Paino

Designated Safeguarding Lead (DSL) Mrs Karen Reeves

Deputy Designated Safeguarding Leads (DDSL)

Mrs Jodie Baker

Mrs Beth O'Donoghue

Ms Helen Beasley

Mrs Tracey Wilson

Safeguarding and Child Protection Policy

We follow the Local Authority's Safer Recruitment protocols and the Department for Education Guidance 'Keeping Children Safe in Education'.

Keeping Children Safe in Education

We actively support the Government's 'Prevent' agenda to counter radicalisation and extremism.

All adults working in school have enhanced Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS) clearance together with safeguarding checks in accordance with policy. All staff have regular safeguarding training.

If you are concerned about a child's welfare please record your concern and any observations or conversations heard and report to Mrs Karen Reeves (Designated Safeguarding Lead) or one of our Deputy Designated Safeguarding Leads as soon as possible. If you do find yourself needing to report a concern, we stress the need for absolute confidentiality to be observed and maintained at all times.

We take Online Safety very seriously and regularly monitor and review the school's strategy and protocols regarding online safety.

The Computing and Online Safety Lead is Mrs Karen Reeves

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 their parents / carers first unless we have reason to believe that this would be contrary to the child's welfare.

Further information on Safeguarding children in Devon can be found on the Devon and Torbay Safeguarding Children Boards website.

Useful Links

[NSPCC Pants Rule](#)  [talk with their children about](#)

['Underwear Guide' for Parents to](#)

[Safeguarding reminder for Devon](#)

[Child abuse. If you think it, report it.](#)

[We all have a responsibility to report any concerns of abuse or neglect and get help to vulnerable children and young people quickly.](#)

[Whether you're the neighbour, the teacher or the concerned relative, everyone has a role to play in tackling child abuse and neglect. You don't have to be absolutely certain either, information is usually gathered from many sources, and yours could be the missing piece needed, so it is very important.](#)

The advice to anyone in Devon who may have suspicions of child abuse or neglect is to contact Devon's Multi-Agency Safeguarding Hub (MASH) on 0345 155 1071, or email mashsecure@devon.gov.uk and give as much information as you can.

Our other policies connected to the safeguarding and wellbeing of children include those listed below, and can all be found on our [Policies](#) page.

WHISTLEBLOWING POLICY

SUPPORTING PUPILS WITH MEDICAL CONDITIONS AND THE
ADMINISTRATION OF MEDICINE

EQUALITY POLICY/GUIDANCE

RELATIONSHIPS AND SEX EDUCATION POLICY

ANTI-BULLYING POLICY

CHILD PROTECTION & SAFEGUARDING POLICY