



# Child Friendly Safeguarding Policy

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# Child Friendly Safeguarding Policy.

All children deserve to be happy, healthy and safe.

Safeguarding means:

- protecting children from abuse and maltreatment
- preventing harm to children's health or the way they grow
- making sure children grow up with safe care from their adults
- taking action to make sure all children and young people to have the best outcomes in life

All the staff at Hady are safeguard trained and it is something we all feel is very important. After all, if you feel unhappy or unsafe it will be really difficult to learn and enjoy your time at school.

## **How we learn about Safeguarding**

The school feels it is very important to safeguard all children. Therefore, in our school we are taught about keeping ourselves safe and what to do when we feel unsafe.

We have assemblies on how to stay safe and have guest speakers such as the Police and the NSCPCC come in to talk to us all about what safeguarding is and how we can help. In KS2 we look at 'Alright Charlie' to explore what grooming is.

In our RSE (Relationships and Sex Education) lessons we look at staying safe and making safe choices. These lessons begin in Y1 and run through until Y6. We teach RSE in fun memorable ways which are age appropriate for each year group and we build on the children's knowledge each year. We also learn that children must tell an adult if they feel unsafe, and encourage children to tell an adult if a friend tells them they feel unsafe.

## **What we have learnt about abuse**

There are different types of abuse, they are listed below:

**Sexual abuse** – which is when someone forces you to touch their private parts or touches yours. It can also involve non-touching activities, such as grooming, exploitation, persuading children to perform sexual acts over the internet and flashing

**Physical abuse** - is deliberately hurting you causing injuries such as bruises, broken bones, burns or cuts. It isn't accidental - children who are physically abused suffer violence such as being hit, kicked, poisoned, burned, slapped or having objects thrown at them

**Emotional abuse** - the ongoing emotional maltreatment of a child. It's sometimes called psychological abuse and is when someone deliberately tries to scare or humiliate you, they may isolate, ignore or mock and tease you and make you feel worthless

**Neglect** - failing to provide for a child's basic needs such as food, clothing or shelter. Failing to supervise a child, or keep them safe. Failing to meet a child's needs for nurture and stimulation, perhaps by ignoring, humiliating, intimidating or isolating them. Failing to provide health care, including dental care and refusal of care or ignoring medical recommendations. Failing to ensure a child receives an education.

### **What to do if you think you are being abused**

Don't feel that you have to ignore it or keep it a secret

Even if you have been told to keep it a secret you need to talk to a trusted adult

Talk to a member of staff in school – we can help

### **What you should do if you think someone else is being abused**

Don't ignore what they are saying

Pass it on to a trusted adult in school. You are not being a bad friend by try to help and protect them.

Don't keep it to yourself

You could also call the NSPCC for help 0800 1111

### **What parents/ carers should do if they are worried about child abuse**

Talk to a member of staff. Mrs Chapman (Headteacher) is the Safeguarding Lead for our school, and Francesca Biltaji (Nurture and Wellbeing Manager) is the Deputy Safeguarding Lead. We will be able to advise you on what to do, and support you through the process.

Call the NSPCC on 0808 800 5000 this line is for adults so don't worry you are not taking up time from children who need support.

If a child approaches you talk calmly with your child, try to make a note about what they say, tell them that they have done the right thing in telling you. Speak to a member of staff straight away or call the NSPCC helpline.

### **If you are a child who is worried the people you can talk to are:**

Parents or carers

Other adults in our family

Teachers

Headteacher

Francesca (Nurture and Wellbeing Manager)

Teaching Assistants

Midday Supervisors

Governors

**All staff at Hady agree**

“We strongly believe that any type of abuse for a child is unacceptable. All children deserve to feel happy, healthy and safe. We have a Safeguarding policy and procedures which adhere to Derbyshire County Council’s guidelines. We work together with families to make positive improvements for the child.

We promise to always act in the best interests of the child.

At Hady Primary School we all promise to treat all safeguarding concerns seriously.”