



Guston Church of England Primary School Child-friendly Child Protection Policy

Rooted in faith, growing in wisdom, branching into the world

We are a diverse, vibrant learning community where everyone is welcomed, valued and encouraged. Loving relationships, rooted in the teachings of Jesus, allow children and adults to flourish together, creating wise, compassionate, respectful individuals who are ready to confidently take a productive place in an ever changing world.

At Guston Church of England Primary School we think children have the right to be respected, happy and healthy. In our school we want to protect children by giving them a good education, a safe place to learn, a safe place to play and how to recognise risks so that children can protect themselves and stay safe. When learning at home we want them to understand how to keep themselves safe on line.

What is this?

Our school has many policies aimed at safeguarding children which have been written for staff, families and governors. This 'child friendly' policy is designed for children to read so that they understand what we mean by child protection.

What is it for?

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

How will we try to protect children?

- We try to provide children with a safe environment to learn in
- We try to include everybody in all activities wherever we can
- We want to ensure that children remain safe, at home as well as at school and on our school trips
- We think it is important for our children to know where to get help if they are worried or something is making them feel unhappy or uncomfortable

Staff and Visitors

All staff and visitors to the school have to sign in at the office and wear a badge. Tell a grown up if you see someone in school who is not wearing a badge.

If children need to talk - we will listen!

Children can talk to any adult in their bubble, but if they feel unsafe they can still talk to a trusted adult outside if needed. It is everyone's job to keep you safe but Mrs Day, Mrs Tee and Mr Wells have a special job within the school to help keep you safe and you can talk to us if you are worried.

If you feel you talk to someone and nothing changes or stops you worrying then talk to another adult in the school.

Sometimes it helps to write things down and leave a message for someone to get help or put something in the worry box in your class if you have one.

Talk to a friend to help you decide what to do. Tell them and have them come with you to talk to an adult if you need to.

Even if it is another adult in school that worries you Do Not Keep it a Secret!

Don't keep it a secret if someone is:

- bullying you;
- saying funny things to you that you do not like or upsets you;
- touching you in a way that makes you uncomfortable, or gives you a funny feeling in your tummy;
- trying to give you tablets, cigarettes, drugs or alcohol;
- hitting or hurting you;
- sending unkind messages on the internet or to your phone;
- sharing images on video or Youtube that you would be worried for your parents to know you have seen.

Or if you think any of these things are happening to one of your friends.

Remember BUDDY!

Be kind.

Understand other people's feelings.

Do the best you can.

Don't keep sad feelings to yourself.

You have the right to be safe and happy.

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