



# Safeguarding



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- Safeguarding is a universal accountability.
- Safeguarding is about managing risk and working together.
- If you have any concerns relating to the well being or safety of a young person in our school community, you must share your concern with a DSL immediately.

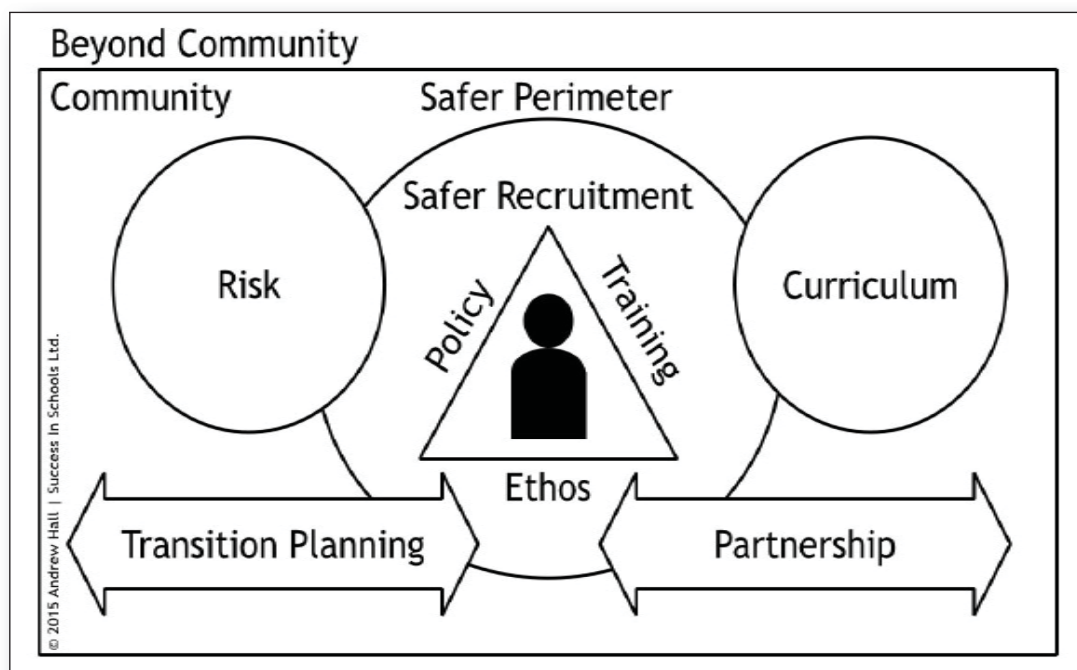
## WHAT IS SAFEGUARDING ?

- Protecting children from maltreatment
- Preventing impairment of children's health or development
- Ensuring that children grow up in circumstances consistent with the provision of safe and effective care.
- Taking action to enable all children to have the best outcomes.

## PROTECTING THE CHILD : 4 RS

- **Recognise** - looking for cluster of signs, changes in behaviour & patterns. Be vigilant and observational.
- **Respond** - assess situation, affirm a disclosure & record facts. You cannot promise confidentiality.
- **Refer** - share with DSL & Safeguarding team as soon as possible.
- **Reflect** - track and monitor the concern. Follow up and measure impact for the child.

# Safeguarding Principles – Pupil Centred Practice



## Safeguarding in Practice

### PROTECTING OURSELVES

- Work in an open environment.
- Pupil welfare must always come first.
- Consider physical space and physical contact carefully.
- Always maintain professional boundaries.
- Positivity and role modelling – our influence on young people.
- Information share to support an individual.
- Use the dedicated proformas to record keep.
- **Give serious consideration to your actions**  
**Safeguard yourself.**

### OUTSTANDING SAFEGUARDING

- Individual accountability – a team approach
- Policy meets procedure – our practice
- Trust and secure relationships
- Early intervention – recognise, respond, refer
- Robust record keeping – communication
- Sharing information – multi agency approach
- Tenacity and challenge in support of the child
- Working together to support families
- Modelling our values in our community

*This school is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people and expects all staff and volunteers to share this commitment. Working with young people is a privilege. You can make a difference every day.*