



COVID-19 Contingency Safeguarding policy

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The purpose of this safeguarding policy is to ensure appropriate safeguarding measures are in place for pupils who are still attending school and those who are not attending school due to school closures during the COVID-19 emergency measures.

The following will be in place for those pupils who are attending school:

The current safeguarding policy will apply to these pupils.

Pupils who are expected to attend school will be registered in the AM and PM. Pupils who are not present will receive home contact. If there are any safeguarding concerns home visits and or referrals to CSC will be made.

A DSL should be available in person or by phone each day. If due to illness this is not the case as per the school Safeguarding Policy - in exceptional circumstances where a DSL is unavailable then staff should speak with a member of SLT.

The following will be in place for those pupils who are unable to attend school:

Information will be displayed on the website and sent to parents regarding support which will be made available for pupils who are at risk of suffering harm. The following support will be offered:

- Direction to appropriate websites and contact numbers for pupils who are suffering from or at risk of a range of risk factors including abuse and mental health, difficulties.
- School will provide a dedicated safeguarding telephone number and email address provided on the website and sent to parents
- School will be open for pupils to drop in during the hours of 9am and 3pm. Pupils should present at main reception where we can maintain social distancing.
- School counsellors will be available for face to face, online or over the phone sessions

Child Protection and Child in Need

- School has made contact with all parents of pupils at level 3 and 4 and those who are looked after to offer daily education in school.
- School has made contact with CSC to ensure social workers are aware that these pupils can still access education daily
- The DSLs will have at least weekly contact with CSC to check the well-being of pupils at level 3 and 4 (Child Protection and Child in Need)
- The pastoral team and or the DSLs will have weekly contact with parents/carers of pupils who are on a CIN or CP plan