



Safeguarding Statement

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RAVENOR PRIMARY SCHOOL SAFEGUARDING STATEMENT

The Department of Education, through *Working Together to Safeguard Children* (DfE 2013) and *Keeping Children Safe in Education* (DfE July 2015), places a duty on organisations to safeguard and promote the well-being of children and young people. At Ravenor Primary school we are fully committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of all our students.

On occasion, a student may disclose information of a sensitive nature to a member of staff. When this happens, staff will listen and explain clearly and calmly to students that information about their safety may mean that other people have to be informed in order to support and safeguard them. They cannot promise to keep such information confidential.

When a member of staff has any child protection or welfare concerns about a student, they have a duty to report these concerns to the designated teacher in the school. In dealing with such instances we are legally required to follow Ealing and Pan London procedures which may require us to involve the local social care office or the Police.

There are four main elements to how we ensure our safeguarding policies and principles support the children in our care:

- Prevention through the curriculum and pastoral support offered to pupils and their families.
- School's child protection infrastructure and procedures for identifying and reporting cases (or suspected cases) of abuse or other child protection concerns.
- Procedures for dealing with an allegation made against a member of staff.
- Support for pupils who may have suffered significant harm, and their families.

We believe every child should be valued, safe and happy. We want to make sure that children we have contact with know this and are empowered to tell us if they are suffering harm.

We recognise that the Children's Services Contact Team has lead responsibility for investigating all allegations or suspicions of abuse where there are concerns about a child.

Ravenor Primary school takes its Safeguarding and Child Protection responsibilities very seriously. We work closely with the local authority and other appropriate external agencies to ensure the welfare of all our students. If you have any concerns about a child's welfare, please contact a member of the Safeguarding team:

Mrs L. Lobo – Headteacher (Safeguarding lead)

Ms E. Berkeley (Designated Safeguarding Teacher)

For a copy of our Child Protection and Safeguarding Policy please ask at the School Office or go to our website <http://www.ravenor.ealing.sch.uk>