

SAFEGUARDING CHILDREN STATEMENT

POWELL CORDEROY SCHOOL

This school is committed to safeguarding and to promoting the welfare of children, and expects all staff and volunteers to share this commitment.

This means that we have a **Child Protection and Safeguarding Policy** and procedures in place which we refer to in our prospectus. All staff (including supply staff, volunteers and governors) must ensure that they are aware of these procedures. Parents and carers are welcome to read the policy on request.

Sometimes we need to **share information and work in partnership** with other agencies when there are concerns about a child’s welfare. We will ensure that our concerns about our pupils are discussed with his/her parents/carers first unless we have reason to believe that such a move would be contrary to the child’s welfare.

Our Designated Safeguarding Leads (DSLs) are:

			
Mrs E. McLaughlin Headteacher	Mrs J. Wilson Headteacher	Miss K. Mitchell Inclusion Leader	Mrs H. Harber Teacher
Lead DSLs		Deputy DSLs	

If you are concerned about a child’s welfare, please **record your concern**, and any observations or conversation heard, and report to one of the DSLs as soon as possible the same day. DO NOT conduct your own investigation. Our **safeguarding and child protection procedures** (available from the school office and on the website) provide further guidance.

If your concerns relate to the actions or behaviour of a member of staff (which could suggest that he/she is unsuitable to work with children) then you should report this to one of the DSLs in confidence, who will refer the matter to the Headteacher (or the Chair of Governors if the concern relates to the Headteacher) who will consider what action to take.