

Child-friendly Safeguarding Policy



What is safeguarding?

Safeguarding means keeping children safe from harm and helping them grow up healthy and happy. It includes:

Making sure you are cared for and protected

• Helping you learn about keeping yourself safe

· Making sure adults know what to do if you need help If you ever feel unsafe or unsure, please tell a trusted adult straight away.

Who can I talk to if I need to?

At Elmore Green, we have special adults called Designated Safequarding Leads (DSLs).

Their job is to help keep children safe.

Our DSL team is:

- Mrs Jones-McDonald
- Mrs Wilcox
- Mr Jones
- · Mrs Lloyd
- Mr Dinneen

You can also talk to any adult in school that you trust - they will always listen and help you find the right support.

What sort of problems should I talk to adults about?

· Someone says or does something that upsets or scares you.

You are being bullied, online or in person.
Someone tries to make you smoke, drink alcohol, or take drugs.

• Someone hits, hurts, or frightens you.

• Someone touches you in a way that makes you feel uncomfortable, touches your private body parts or tells you to keep it a secret.

You can tell adults in school any problem and they will try their best to help

We want everyone at Elmore Green to feel safe, happy, and listened to.

If something doesn't feel right, you should

What is abuse?

Abuse is when you are harmed by someone. This could be by adult or another child. It could even be own of your friends or someone you know really well. It could also be a complete stranger.

What types of abuse might happen?

- Abuse that involves being touched inappropriately on your private parts, shown things that make you uncomfortable, or being asked to do something you don't want to do.
- Physical abuse: being hit, smacked, burned, or hurt in any way.
- Neglect: not having enough food, clean clothes, warmth, or care when you need it.
- Emotional abuse: being shouted at, bullied, or made to feel worthless or unloved.

Who else

If you feel you can't talk to someone in school, you can contact Childline.

They are kind, safe adults who will listen and help.



Remember...

It's never your fault if someone hurts or upsets you. People who do this may tell lies to stop you from speaking

You have the right to feel safe - always tell a trusted adult.

> These things are never OK. If they happen to you or someone you know, please tell a grownup at school.





What happens when I tell someone?

When you tell a teacher or another adult, they may need to talk to the DSL to make sure you get the right help.

Sometimes, the DSL might speak to people outside school, like:

- Social workers.
- Police officers.
- Family support workers
- Counsellors.

Don't worry - these people are trained to help children and families stay safe. Your teacher or DSL will always explain what's happening and keep you informed.

WAYS TO GET SUPPORT



















