



Child Friendly Safeguarding Policy

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What Does Safeguarding Mean?

Safeguarding means:

Keeping children safe from harm.

We help to keep you safe at school, at home, in the community, and online.

Adults in school will listen to you if something is wrong.



Who Can Help Me?

You can talk to:

- Your class teacher
- Your teaching assistant
- Your therapist
- Any adult you trust
- The Safeguarding Team

You do not have to deal with worries on your own.

The Safeguarding Team



Suzy



Sophie



Nat



Joe



Lisa

Designated Safeguarding Lead (DSL): Suzy Hollett

Deputy DSLs: Sophie, Joe, Nat and Lisa

These adults have special training to help keep children safe.



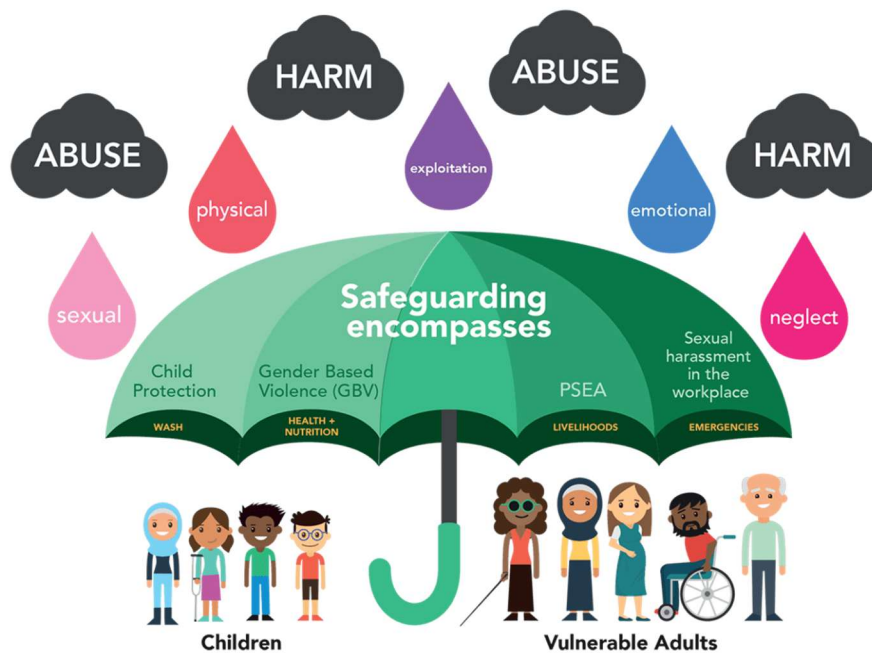
What If I Am Worried?

You can tell us if:

- You feel scared.
- Someone is hurting you.
- You feel unsafe.
- Someone is being unkind.
- Something is making you upset.
- You are worried about a friend.

Even if you are not sure, tell us.

We will listen.



Types of Abuse

Physical Abuse

Physical abuse means someone hurts your body.

Examples:

- Hitting
- Kicking
- Punching
- Shaking
- Biting
- Pushing

This is not okay.

Tell an adult.

Emotional Abuse

Emotional abuse means someone makes you feel bad about yourself.

Examples:

- Calling you names
- Shouting at you
- Threatening you
- Making fun of you
- Constantly putting you down

This is not okay.

Tell an adult.

Neglect

Neglect means a child is not getting the care they need.

Examples:

- Not having enough food
- Not having clean clothes
- Not getting medical help when needed
- Not feeling cared for

This is not your fault.

Tell an adult.

Sexual Abuse

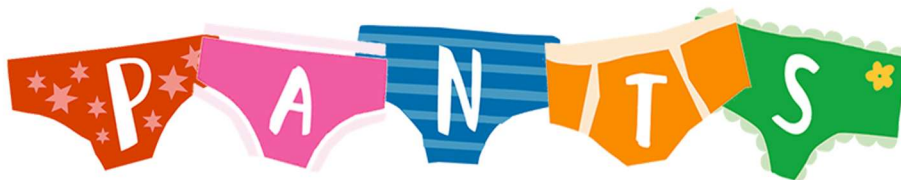
Sexual abuse is when someone behaves in a sexual way that is not okay.

Examples:

- Touching private parts
- Asking to see private parts
- Asking for pictures
- Making someone watch something sexual
- Making someone do something that feels wrong

This is never your fault.

Tell an adult straight away.



Remember PANTS

The NSPCC has a simple safety rule called **PANTS**.

P = Private Parts Are Private

The parts covered by your underwear are private.

A = Always Remember Your Body Belongs To You

Your body belongs to you.

N = No Means No

You can say no.

T = Talk About Secrets That Upset You

Good adults do not ask children to keep unsafe secrets.

S = Speak Up

Tell an adult you trust.



Bullying

Bullying is not okay.

Bullying can be:

Physical

- Hitting
- Kicking
- Pushing

Verbal

- Name-calling
- Teasing
- Threats

Social

- Leaving people out
- Spreading rumours

Online

- Sending nasty messages
- Sharing upsetting pictures

If someone is bullying you, tell us.

Don't hurt others



When Children Hurt Other Children

Sometimes children can hurt or upset other children.

Examples:

- Bullying
- Threatening
- Pressuring someone
- Sharing private pictures
- Touching someone without permission

This is not okay.

Tell an adult.

We will help keep everyone safe.



Staying Safe Online

The internet can be fun, but it can also be dangerous.

Remember:

- Do not share your address.
- Do not share your phone number.
- Do not share passwords.
- Do not send pictures if someone asks.
- Tell an adult if something makes you worried.

Some people online pretend to be someone else.

Some pictures, videos and messages may be made by Artificial Intelligence (AI) and may not be real.

If something online makes you uncomfortable:

STOP - BLOCK - TELL AN ADULT



Looking After Your Feelings

Sometimes children feel:

- Sad
- Angry
- Worried
- Lonely
- Frightened
- Anxious

It is okay to talk about your feelings.

You do not have to cope on your own.

We will listen and help you get support.



Problems at Home

Sometimes adults at home argue, shout or behave in ways that make children feel scared.

This can make children worried or upset.

If this is happening to you:

Talk to us.

We can help.

If Someone Tries to Use You

Be careful if someone:

- Offers you money
- Gives you gifts
- Offers cigarettes, vapes, alcohol or drugs
- Asks you to keep secrets
- Asks you to carry things for them

This may be unsafe.

Tell an adult straight away.

Children With SEND

At Maple Haven School we know everyone communicates differently.

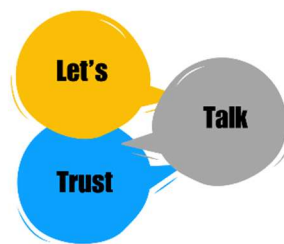
Some children find it hard to explain their worries.

That is okay.

We will:

- Listen carefully
- Give you time
- Use pictures or visuals if needed
- Help you communicate
- Take your worries seriously

Everyone has the right to be safe.



Remember

If you are worried:

TALK

TELL

TRUST

You can always ask an adult for help.

We will listen.

We will support you.

We will help keep you safe.

If you cannot talk to someone at school, you can contact:

Childline: 0800 1111 www.childline.org.uk