

Keeping Children Safe

At school:- Safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children is everyone's responsibility.

Everyone who comes into contact with children and their families and carers has a role to play in safeguarding children.

Child abuse is taken to refer to any child under the age of 18 years who, through the actions of adults (with a caring role for that child) or their failure to act, has suffered or is at risk of suffering harm.

Abuse is broadly divided into four categories.

**Physical Injury, Sexual Abuse
Emotional Abuse, Neglect.**

Please refer to the school's safeguarding policy for further information on these and other identified areas of cause for concern and / or harm and where Schools have specific mandatory reporting duties.

For example:-

Extremism and Radicalisation.

Female Genital Mutilation.

Children Missing from Education

Keeping Children Safe Early Help

'Providing early help is more effective in promoting the welfare of children than reacting later'

**(Working Together to Safeguard Children)
2015.**

Early Help relies upon local agencies to work together to :-

Identify children and families who would benefit from early help

Undertake assessment of need for Early Help

Identify and provide early help services to focus on actions to significantly improve the outcomes for the child.

At West Hill, Early Help is supported by:

The Early Help Assessment (EHA) developed by Wandsworth Early Help Team from the Signs of Safety and Well Being process:

Staff work with a parent (s) or child or both together to gather information and build a picture of what is happening for a child or for a family.

Identifying what is going well for the child or family (strengths) and what might be worrying or concerning (concerns) for the child or family.

The assessment helps staff to identify needs, develop an action plan and set goals for the child or family .

The assessment is shared, with the parent's consent where given, to enable other services to work with the child or family and is used as a tool for referral into these services when required.

The actions and outcomes for the child or family are monitored by Team around the Child or Team around the Family meetings.

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In
Education
Everyone's Responsibility
Information for
Parents and Carers
Named Safeguarding Leads:**

**Designated Safeguarding Leads
Richard Milsom - Interim
Headteacher**

**Deputy Designated Safeguarding
Leads
Debra Squire—Acting Deputy
Head Teacher
Jane Atkin—Acting Deputy Head
Teacher**

**Safeguarding Governor
Tamazin Steele**

**If you are worried about a child you
can call Wandsworth
Initial Point of Contact
(IPOC)
020-8871-6622**

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