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# Safeguarding information for Parents and Carers

All members of the school community including volunteers and governors, must at all times play a full and active part in protecting our children from harm.

A full copy of our Safeguarding Policy is available from the school office or on our website

**[www.thorpeprimary.co.uk](http://www.thorpeprimary.co.uk)**



# Our Safeguarding Team



Miss Anderson



Mrs Tipping



Mrs Akhtar



Mrs Filmore

Safeguarding children is one of the most important roles for all of our staff at Thorpe. We expect everyone to follow the guidelines and procedures in our Safeguarding Policy, and all staff receive relevant training.

We also have a dedicated team who actively work to promote safeguarding messages. They have received specialised training in dealing with Child Protection issues. Miss Anderson (Deputy Head), Mrs Tipping (HLTA) and Mrs Akhtar (HLTA) are all Designated Teachers for Child Protection, and are your first point of contact if you have any safeguarding concerns. Mrs Filmore is the Designated Governor for Child Protection.

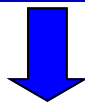
At times, staff have to talk with parents about safeguarding concerns; please understand this is part of our procedure to keep all children safe. We always strive to work in partnership with parents.

## Possible signs which may cause concern ....

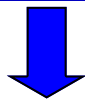
- Unexplained bruises or other marks
- Unexplained lacerations, fractures or abrasions
- Untreated injuries or illness
- Self-destructive tendencies (or suicidal)
- Chronic runaway / frequent absconding
- Fear of going home
- Bullying of others
- Low self esteem or depression
- Poor hygiene (unkempt) including wetting or soiling
- Unexplained acquisition of money or belongings

# How to raise a Safeguarding concern ....

I have a concern about my/a child's safety



I can talk to the teacher



If I am still concerned I can talk to one of the Designated Teachers for Child Protection  
Miss Anderson, Mrs Tipping or Mrs Akhtar.

I can also speak with  
Mrs Kate Trethewy—Head Teacher  
Tel: 01733 264340



If I am still concerned I can talk or write to the chairperson of the Board of Governors Mr C Hammond  
or our Safeguarding Governor Mrs J Filmore.

These can be contacted through Mrs Terry Edwards,  
Clerk to Governors at the school.



At any time, I can write or talk to:  
Duty Social Worker on 01733 864180  
Peterborough Police 999 emergencies  
NSPCC 0808 800 5000  
Parentline Plus 0808 800 2222

## What does safeguarding mean?

- Protecting children from maltreatment
- Protecting children's health and development
- Ensuring children grow up in circumstances consistent with the provision of safe and effective care
- Enabling children to have optimum life chances and enter adulthood successfully.

**Don't think "What if I'm wrong?" -  
Think "What if I'm right?"**

## Visitors to school

All visitors to school (including parents) must adhere to our Safeguarding Policy. Adults visiting the school for meetings must sign in at Reception and wear a visitors badge at all times.

If a parent wishes to collect their child from school they must report to the School Office. Our staff will arrange for the pupil to be brought to the office.

