

Online Safety

Children's use of the internet is carefully monitored whilst they are in our care. We also educate our pupils about the dangers they might face when using the internet and communication media in all aspects of their lives.

Respect

Visitors are welcome to our school. Our expectation is one of mutual respect for all. We operate a zero tolerance policy towards abusive, threatening or violent behaviour anywhere on our school site. Anyone behaving in this way are likely to be banned from the school grounds.

Safeguarding resources for parents and carers

Solihull Local Safeguarding Children's Board have a wealth of information for professionals and parents.

<http://www.solihulllscb.co.uk>

The NSPCC website has resources to support parents to educate their children about ways of keeping themselves safe. www.nspcc.org.uk

Advice on health and well-being.
www.solgrid.org.uk/wellbeing/

Other useful website links are listed in our Child Protection and Safeguarding policies on our school website.

At Yew Tree we ensure that children are taught in a safe and secure environment.

- There is a culture of vigilance in our school and pupil's welfare is actively promoted.
- Our staff team are appropriately and regularly trained in all aspects of safeguarding.
- As a professional team we work effectively with external partners to support children who are at risk.
- Our pupils are listened to and feel safe.
- Our children understand and are taught how to keep themselves and others safe.
- Our children trust our staff team and expect them to take care of them.
- We support our parents with ways to keep their children and themselves safe.
- We take school security seriously and check all staff and visitors who come to our school.
- We have secure playgrounds which are fenced and locked.
- We have termly fire drills.
- Regular health and safety checks are undertaken by staff and governors.

Attendance

Not ensuring regular attendance for your child is considered a safeguarding concern as it impacts on their present and future wellbeing and outcomes.

Your child's attendance is monitored daily and significant absences are always followed up, including referral to the Local Authority Enforcement Team.

Your child is categorised as a persistent absentee if they have attendance below 90%. We do not authorise absence for holidays in term time.

Once your child is registered at our school you are legally responsible for making sure they attend regularly.

What should you do if you suspect that a child at Yew Tree Primary School is being subject to any kind of abuse?

If you suspect that a child at Yew Tree Primary is being harmed in any way, you should not keep it to yourself, even if the child has asked you not to tell anyone. You should pass on the information to protect the child.

Inform any of our Designated Safeguarding Leads - Mrs Russell, Mrs Bloomfield and Miss Szilvasi, who will always listen to your concern. Additional safeguarding leads are: Mrs Parsons and Mr Alberici.

Safeguarding means:

- Children are protected from mistreatment.**
- A child's health and development is protected.**
- Children grow up with safe and effective care.**
- Action is taken to ensure the best outcomes for all children.**

Everyone who works at Yew Tree Primary School, Parents, Carers, Governors and any adult who visits our school has a responsibility to ensure that our pupils are safe.

Safeguarding promotes the rights and welfare of all children.

Our designated members of staff for child protection have the responsibility of talking to parents if concerns arise and make referrals to Children's Social Care, with or without parental permission. Our Child Protection Policy is on our website.

Safeguarding is the action we take to promote the welfare of our children.

At Yew Tree we take safeguarding very seriously.

Your designated members of staff for safeguarding and child protection are:

**Mrs Russell
Mrs Bloomfield
Miss Szilvasi**
**Additional safeguarding lead professionals are:
Mrs Parsons
Mr Alberici**

In an emergency call Multi Agency Safeguarding Hub (MASH)
0121 788 4333

Extremism: Our lead professional for PREVENT is Mrs Bloomfield if you have a concern about an adult or child at risk of being drawn into extremism. The contact number for the West Midlands Counter Terrorism Unit is 07825 112 414.

Our Health and Safety lead professional is
Mrs Russell
Our First Aid lead professional is
Mr Alberici

If you have a safeguarding concern that involves a member of staff please speak to Mrs Russell. If this is not appropriate, please speak to the office who will contact our Chair of Governors.

Our Chair of Governors is Mr Neil Rollason. His contact details are available from the school office or our school website.



**Yew Tree
Primary School**
Joy, love and respect

Safeguarding Guidance for Parents and Carers

This guide seeks to explain to you, as parents and carers, what arrangements are in place at Yew Tree should there be any concerns about the welfare of any of our children and how we strive to keep our children safe.

'The school's work to keep pupil's safe and secure is good'
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