



Champion EDUCATION TRUST

ANNEX TO SAFEGUARDING POLICY COVID-19 RELATED CHANGES

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Due to the continually changing situation regarding COVID19 the Safeguarding Policy has been revised as advised in the following guidance:

<https://www.gov.uk/coronavirus/education-and-childcare>

We continue to follow Keeping Children Safe in Education (KCSIE):

https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/892394/Keeping_children_safe_in_education_2020.pdf

The DSL is receiving regular updates from the local safeguarding partnership and local authority and is implementing actions where they arise.

DESIGNATED SAFEGUARDING LEAD (DSL)

Rachel Hadfield continues to be the DSL contact for safeguarding concerns, Ceri Hamill is the Deputy DSL. In their absence the Headteacher, Lidia Cattrell, can be contacted. All concerns should be recorded on IRIS.

You should email safeguarding@crosshill.blackburn.sch.uk to let the team know that you have recorded something on IRIS. This will be received by all the safeguarding team but will be actioned by Rachel (or Lidia/Ceri in her absence).

CADS Contact for concerns 01254 666400

CONTACT WITH FAMILIES

The safeguarding team will keep in contact via phonecall with any child who is under Child Protection (CP), classed as a Child in Need (CIN) or receiving support via a Child and Family Assessment (CAF) and is not attending school. There are also a number of children who school believe are vulnerable but don't fit into any of the above. These families will also receive regular phonecalls from the safeguarding team if the child is not attending school.

The safeguarding team are in regular contact with social workers where a child has one.

CONTACT WITH SCHOOL

All families have been given the following email address for any concerns they may have: safeguarding@crosshill.blackburn.sch.uk or the school mobile number (07776662173) to leave a message should they not have access to email.

The emails from this are sent to all the safeguarding team but Rachel will respond and action. If Rachel is not available, then Lidia will be responsible for responding and actioning.

If staff receive an email of concern to their own email address then they must forward this to the safeguarding email above.

ATTENDANCE

Heather will complete the daily attendance record for children in school and will complete the online Educational Setting Status for the DfE.

SINGLE CENTRAL REGISTER

This needs to be kept up to date during this time.

PREVENT

Prevent management support can be obtained: <https://educateagainsthate.com/blog/posts/school-closures-ongoing-prevent-management-support/>

PEER ON PEER ABUSE

See main Safeguarding Policy (principles as set-out in KCSIE Part 5 will continue to advise the approach).

CONCERNS ABOUT STAFF

See main Safeguarding Policy (principles as set-out in KCSIE Part 4 will continue to advise the approach).

MENTAL HEALTH AND WELLBEING

School staff continue to have access to the Employee Assistance Programme. The details have been emailed out to staff as a reminder. All staff have also been given a wellbeing handbook.

School can access remote support from the Mental Health Support Team where necessary. Please speak to your pastoral support or Rachel for a referral if you are concerned about a student. Kooth is also still available for students to access <https://www.kooth.com/>

Parents have been sent a support sheet with contacts to groups who can offer support around housing, finances and accessing food. This information is also available on our website and social media platforms.

PROVIDING REMOTE EDUCATION

Remote learning will be delivered via Microsoft Teams or See Saw alongside other learning platforms (see below) for students who are not able to attend school due to self-isolating, shielding or in the event of school closure.

- Crosshill You tube channel
- RM maths
- Oak Academy
- Doodle Maths/English
- Top Marks
- BBC Bitesize

WORKING FROM HOME

In the event that staff have to work from home the following video gives information about how to work safely:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=YT9geyiJso4&feature=youtu.be>

Staff should follow this guidance:

- If you are sending an email that contains personal data, consider putting that data into a word document and password protecting it. Phone the recipient with the password or if this is not possible send the password in a separate email.
- Share information via OneDrive where possible. Try not to save info onto personal devices.
- When working on school data, lock your screen whilst you are away or not using your device
- Store any paper information securely at home.
- Only use encrypted USB storage devices.
- Report ANY data breach to Nicola Chester (nchester@championtrust.co.uk) as soon as you are aware of it as we only have 72 hours to report to the ICO (although they are being more lenient in the current situation). School is still the data controller and we must adhere to the regulations
- Take extra care if you are dealing with more sensitive data such as SEN/Health/Inclusion information

ONLINE SAFETY

The following activities and guidance to promote online safety have been sent to parents:

<https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/parents/Support-tools/home-activity-worksheets/>

<https://www.internetmatters.org/>

<https://www.net-aware.org.uk/>

<https://parentinfo.org/>

<https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/>

<https://www.saferinternet.org.uk/advice-centre/parents-and-carers>

<https://www.ceop.police.uk/safety-centre/>

<https://reportharmfulcontent.com/>

<https://www.childline.org.uk/>

Information is also available on our website and social media platforms.

The following information is for professionals:

<https://www.internetmatters.org/about-us/vulnerable-children-in-a-digital-world-report/>

UK Safer Internet Centre helpline: helpline@saferinternet.org.uk or 03443814772

<https://www.saferinternet.org.uk/helpline/professionals-online-safety-helpline>

<https://learning.nspcc.org.uk/>

RETURNING TO SCHOOL

As students return to school there may be new safeguarding concerns arising. Please continue to report any new concerns via IRIS.

Parents and carers will be asked to advise school of any changes regarding welfare, health or wellbeing that have occurred when the child was not attending school.

A risk assessment has taken place for all students, taking into account family wishes, to inform whether a child is safe to be in school.

School has put in place a 'Recovery Curriculum' which will support students in making the adjustment to being back in school.

A member of the pastoral team will always be available on site to support with any difficulties as they arise.