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Trafford Alternative Education Provision

Safeguarding Statement 2022-23

Trafford Alternative Education Provision is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and expects all staff, governors and volunteers to share this commitment.

We have a number of policies and procedures in place that contribute to our safeguarding pledge, including our Safeguarding and Child Protection Policy which can be viewed in the Policies section of our website.

At TAEP we listen to our pupils and take seriously what they tell us. All school staff are trained in Child Protection, and students are made aware of the adults they can talk to if they have any concerns. Staff are trained to look out for signs of physical/emotional harm or neglect and are required to report these to the Designated Safeguarding Lead (DSL).

Sometimes we may need to share information and work in partnership with other agencies, when there are concerns about a child's welfare. We will ensure that our concerns about our pupils are discussed with parents/carers first, unless we have reason to believe that such a move would be contrary to the child's welfare.

We actively support the Government's Prevent Agenda to counter radicalism and extremism.

Our Designated Safeguarding Lead is Linda H Thompson (Executive Head teacher). Our Deputy Designated Safeguarding Leads are Jasmin Boyes Deputy Headteacher, Hayley Blane Lead Teacher THS/SENDCo and Jill Mundy Lead Teacher TMES

Our School Governor with a safeguarding responsibility is Donna Higgins.

All members of the safeguarding team can be contacted via the school office.

Trafford Children's First Response 0161 912 5125 FirstResponse@trafford.gov.uk	Local Authority Designated Officer (LADO) 0161 912 5125 FirstResponse@trafford.gov.uk
Trafford Strategic Safeguarding Partnership 0161 911 8687 TSSP@trafford.gov.uk	Trafford Personal Advisor
Social Care Out of Hours Emergency Duty Team 0161 912 2020	<u>Police</u> Non-emergency – 101 Emergency - 999
NW Counter-Terrorism Unit Channel Team 0161 856 6362 channel.project@gmp.police.uk	NSPCC Whistleblowing Helpline NSPCC website

Photographs and Videos

Whilst lots of parents and carers really enjoy seeing photos and videos of their children's school life we are very mindful of our duty of care towards all our pupils. We take the issue of safeguarding very seriously and this includes the use of photographic and video images.

Any photographs or videos taken by parents, carers and relatives at sports days or other events are for the enjoyment of individual families. They must not be used in any way that could potentially place a child at risk. This would include publishing images in any form of print or on the internet including social networking sites.

We understand that in exceptional circumstances a parent or carer may not wish their child to be photographed or videoed in this way. If this is the case then please contact the Executive Headteacher to discuss how this can be best achieved.

We like to use photographs of our children on our website and ClassDojo, in school documents, for parent information meetings, newsletters and on our display screens around the school. If you do not wish photographs of your child to be used for these purposes, then please contact the Executive Head teacher.