

ST MARGARET CLITHEROW ROMAN CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Safeguarding Statement

At St Margaret Clitherow Roman Catholic Primary School we are committed to safeguarding our children. We expect all staff, volunteers, governors and parents to share our commitment; we have policies, procedures, and training in place to ensure this. All policies are reviewed annually.

Policies relating to Safeguarding include:

- Anti-Bullying
- Attendance
- Behaviour
- Child Protection
- Child looked after
- Complaints
- Curriculum Overview
- Equality and diversity
- eSafety
- Health and Safety
- Low Level Concerns
- Physical Intervention
- Safer Recruitment
- Relationships and Sex Education
- Staff code of conduct
- Whistle Blowing

All policies are available on the school website and from the school office.

We are working to ensure all of our policies are GDPR compliant.

From July 1st 2015 all schools, registered early years childcare providers and registered later years childcare providers are subject to a duty under **section 26 of the Counter Terrorism and Security Act 2015**, to have "due regard to the need to prevent people from being drawn into terrorism" This is known as the Prevent duty. At St Margaret Clitherow School we actively support the Government's Prevent Agenda to counter radicalism and extremism. The Designated Safeguarding Lead (DSL) and Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead (DDSL) and designated Safeguarding Governor have all undertaken PREVENT training.

All members of staff and volunteers will have access to whole school safeguarding training at least every three years. We will also, as part of our induction for both staff and volunteers, issue information in relation to safeguarding and any policy related to safeguarding.

Our DSL, DDSL and DSP will undertake further safeguarding training in addition to the whole school training. This will be undertaken at least every two years and aims to update their awareness and understanding of the impact of the wide agenda of safeguarding issues. This will support the DSL, DDSL and DSP to be able to better undertake their role and support the school in ensuring our safeguarding arrangements are robust and achieve better outcomes for the pupils in our school. This includes taking part in multi-agency training in addition to safeguarding training.

Our Governing body have access to safeguarding training and our named governor for Safeguarding has also undertaken additional training to aid in their safeguarding role.

Our safeguarding arrangements are reported on at every Full Governing Body meeting and our Safeguarding Statement is reviewed annually, in order to keep it updated in line with local and national guidance/legislation.

The named Safeguarding Governor and Designated Safeguarding Lead (DSL) meet regularly in order to discuss any issues relating to safeguarding. The school DSL and DDSLs meet weekly to review CPOMs incidents. The Safeguarding Team (DSL, DDSL, Safeguarding Governor and named Governor) meet termly. A Safeguarding checklist is completed annually as part of their safeguarding duty. A Safeguarding Report as required by the Local Authority, is completed termly and shared with the Governing Body.

The School understands the importance of Safer Recruitment. As such will always ensure at least one member of the interview panel is accredited with Safer Recruitment training, ensuring that Safer Recruitment guidelines are followed.

Named Governor for Safeguarding is: Sally Curtis

Designated Safeguarding Lead is: Carmela Puccio

Deputy Designated Safeguarding Leads are: Andrew Peck and Amy Coleman

This Safeguarding statement was approved by the Full Governing Body on 09/07/25

It will be reviewed July 2026, or before if legislation changes.