



# **St. William of Perth Catholic Primary SAFEGUARDING STATEMENT**

## **Mission Statement**

St. William of Perth aims to nourish the growth of all its members as persons illuminated by the light of Christ as our Catholic values permeate all aspects of school life.

Our mission is to provide a quality education where high standards of attainment and behaviour are expected. We encourage all our pupils to develop as life-long learners as they strive to reach their full physical, intellectual and social potential.

This happens within an atmosphere of love, respect and tolerance of others in mutual co-operation within our School, Home and Parish family.

This school is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and expects all staff and volunteers to share this commitment.

This means that we have a Child Protection Policy and procedures in place. All staff (including supply staff, volunteers and governors) must ensure that they are aware of these procedures. Parents and carers are welcome to read the Policy on request.

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 his/her parents/carers first unless we have reason to believe that such a move would be contrary to the child's welfare.

### **Our Designated Safeguarding Lead is:**

Mr J. Willis – Headteacher

### **Our Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead is:**

Mrs T. Ward – SENCO

### **Our Governor responsible for Safeguarding is:**

Ms L O'Hara – Safeguarding Governor

If you are concerned about a child's welfare, please record your concern, and any observations or conversation heard, and report to one of the Designated Safeguarding Leads as soon as possible, the same day. Do NOT conduct your own investigation.

If your concerns relate to the actions or behaviour of a member of staff (which could suggest that s/he is unsuitable to work with children) then you should report this to one of the above in confidence, who will refer the matter to the Headteacher (or the Chair of Governors if the concern relates to the Headteacher) – who will consider what action to take.

## **Worried About A Child**

Making a referral to Medway Council Children's Social Care

If you are a member of the public with concerns that a child or young person living in Medway is suffering from harm please use the following details;

Tel: 01634 334466

Children's Advice and Duty service (CADS)

Telephone: 01634 334466 24 Hour Emergency Number 03000 419191

Fax: 01634 333188

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