

BILSTON CHURCH OF ENGLAND PRIMARY SCHOOL



Pupils Safe Guarding and Fundamental British Values

Pupil safeguarding and the promotion of fundamental British values are at the core of our work at Bilston Church of England Primary School. Great importance is placed on identifying opportunities in the taught curriculum for children to learn about safeguarding. Our broad curriculum gives pupils opportunities to experience life in all its diversity, to acquire knowledge, understanding and skills that significantly impact on personal development, behaviour and welfare and equips every child with the knowledge and skills required for personal safeguarding. Our PSHE curriculum covers all areas of Safeguarding through each of the strands to a different degree however some go into more detail. We are sensitive in our teaching and recognise that some more sensitive subjects need to taught, at an age appropriate level, or at a small group or 1:1 level where a more urgent need arises.

We plan to constantly challenge, children to think deeply about safeguarding matters and their own personal physical and mental wellbeing. We value pupils' questions and give them space for their own thoughts, ideas and concerns. We give them opportunities across the curriculum to explore values, personal rights, responsibilities and equal opportunities that develop moral concepts that impact, positively on safeguarding, promote British values and prevent radicalisation and extremism. There are many opportunities throughout our Learning in school to explore safeguarding issues.

- Practical safeguarding opportunities are planned into the curriculum. For example:
- Road, rail safety and Water safety (including out of school visits, bike ability, work with police officers in the community)
- Poolside and water safety through swimming lessons
- Fire awareness (including visits from the local fire service)
- Visits to school from medical staff
- Visitors from charities such as Barnados, NSPCC, the dogs trust to do focused projects
- Work from local voluntary sector services particularly around safe transition to Secondary school
- Plays and shows, such as HEAD START and Gazeboo
- Online safety quizzes and training
- The use of digital ambassadors in school
- Our Forest School Programme which incorporates "Stranger Danger", being safe in the outdoors, what to do if?
- Family Learning children working alongside parents
- What to do if you are separated from your group (in relation to school visits)
- Safe use of technology including password security and privacy settings

We have developed an open and safe learning environment in which pupils express their views, seek help and help others. The promotion of equality of opportunity and diversity,





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for pupils and staff, helps prevent any form of direct or indirect discriminatory behaviour. Our children learn, to not tolerate any prejudiced behaviour. Our behaviour policy promotes making good choices and exhibiting good learning behaviours.

Class times are time for sharing ideas, addressing concerns and promoting important values. Worship and circle times are used to promote personal safeguarding matters and explore themes.

For example, we talk about anti- bullying including cyber bullying and British values including how these values are promoted in our multi – faith society and through our core values.

Staff and children are quick to challenge stereotypes and the use of derogatory language in lessons and around school. Our school reflects the diversity of pupils' experiences and provides pupils with a comprehensive understanding of people and communities beyond their immediate experience including the role of women in society and different family groups including same sex couples. Throughout the curriculum there are planned opportunities to promote all forms of equality and foster greater understanding of and respect for people off all faiths (and those with no faith), races, genders, ages, disability and sexual orientations, through their words, actions and in their influence. Opportunities are created in a variety of subjects to address areas of safeguarding.

Time is taken, at the beginning of every new school year to reaffirm school values, expectations and rules for living and learning at Bilston Church of England Primary. Through rigorous monitoring, we ensure that this gives a good start to the year and continues, with everyone clear about their roles and responsibilities, sets the tone for the rest of the year and leads to excellent safeguarding outcomes.