



# ELVINGTON CHURCH OF ENGLAND PRIMARY SCHOOL

**'Working Together We Can All Achieve Success'**

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## Safeguarding Statement

Elvington Church of England Primary School is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and expects all staff and volunteers to share this commitment.

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

# Safeguarding

If you have any concerns about a child or adult's safety, welfare or general wellbeing, please ensure that you speak with a member of our safeguarding team **straight away**.

<b>Andrew Buttery</b> Designated Safeguarding Lead	<b>Nicki Granger</b> Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead	<b>Katy McCaffrey</b> Chair of Health and Safety	<b>Bruce Cole</b> Designated Safeguarding & Child Protection Governor	<b>Shaun Darley</b> Site Manager	<b>Hilary Mennell</b> Local Area Support Practitioner

SAFE CHILDREN

Concerns about children's welfare and emotional wellbeing

SAFE ENVIRONMENT

Concerns about health, safety & premises

City of York Child Protection  
01904 551900 or  
01609 780780 (out of hours)

SAFE ADULTS

Concerns about adults & leadership

If a child is in immediate danger, call the police on 999

head@elvingtonprimary.org.uk

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.

### Safeguarding Concerns

Please remember that if you have any concerns about a child's welfare, do not hesitate to get in contact by emailing [head@elvingtonprimary.org.uk](mailto:head@elvingtonprimary.org.uk). I am Elvington's Designated Safeguarding Lead, with Mrs. Granger fulfilling the role of Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead – additional school specific



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information can be found at: [www.elvingtonprimary.org.uk/school-information/whos-who/safeguarding-team](http://www.elvingtonprimary.org.uk/school-information/whos-who/safeguarding-team).

If you have a concern that a child is vulnerable or at risk of significant harm, please contact the Multi-Agency Safeguarding Hub (MASH) in York on 01904 551900 and select option 3 or email [MASH@york.gov.uk](mailto:MASH@york.gov.uk). Outside office hours, at weekends and on public holidays contact the emergency duty team on 01609 780780. You can also visit [www.saferchildrenyork.org.uk](http://www.saferchildrenyork.org.uk), for more information.



Please also be aware that as a school we subscribe to Operation Encompass. One of the principles of Operation Encompass is that all incidents of domestic abuse are shared with schools, not just those where an offence can be identified. Additional information can be found at: [www.operationencompass.org/school-participation](http://www.operationencompass.org/school-participation).

### **Parents and Carers**

We, the Governing Body and Headteacher, strongly believe that our school should be a welcoming and safe place for our children, staff, parents and visitors alike and that our parents share that belief. We have legal responsibilities for the safeguarding and wellbeing of children and staff, and a duty of care to all users of our school.

All adults who enter our school site at any time set examples of behaviour and conduct which influence children and young people and we believe that they should therefore demonstrate high standards of conduct in order to encourage our pupils to do the same. Parents and carers must show respect to all other parents and carers, children and staff.

Adults who do not behave in an acceptable manner may be asked to leave the site and the Headteacher has the right to further restrict their access.

Behaviour which is regarded as unacceptable includes:

- Physical abuse, threatening, oppressive or aggressive behaviour or use of offensive language towards other adults, staff or children
- Entering the school site under the influence of alcohol or drugs
- Smoking anywhere on the school site (**this includes e-cigarettes**)
- Bringing dogs, with the exception of Assistance Dogs, on to the school site without the explicit permission of the Headteacher.

School-related issues which parents or carers have concerning school, pupils or their families must be brought to the attention of a member of staff. Parents or carers must not try to resolve any issues themselves by direct action on site. If issues cannot be successfully resolved by speaking to a staff member, parents' and carers' correct course of action is use our Complaints Procedure as appropriate. We expect all communication between parents and school to be conducted in a polite and respectful manner. Communication may be similarly restricted if it becomes unacceptable.

### **Prevent Statement**

On 1<sup>st</sup> July 2015 the Prevent duty (section 26) of The Counter-Terrorism and Security Act 2015 came into force. This duty places the responsibility on local authorities and schools to have due regard to the need to prevent people from being drawn into terrorism.

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Elvington Church of England Primary School is fully committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of all its pupils. As a school we recognise that safeguarding against radicalisation is as important as safeguarding against any other vulnerability.

All staff are expected to uphold and promote the fundamental principles of British values, including democracy, the rule of law, individual liberty and mutual respect, and tolerance of those with different faiths and beliefs. We believe that children should be given the opportunity to explore diversity and understand Britain as a multi-cultural society; everyone should be treated with respect whatever their race, gender, sexuality, religious belief, special need, or disability.

As part of our commitment to safeguarding and child protection we fully support the Government's Prevent Strategy.

Thank you for your cooperation.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Mr. Andrew BATTERY'. The signature is stylized with a large, looped initial 'A' and a long, horizontal stroke extending to the right.

Mr. Andrew BATTERY (Designated Safeguarding Lead)