

How can you help your children stay safe?

- Know who your child's friends are
- Be aware of your child's online activity and update your own knowledge on social media
- Keep talking to your child about what they watch on the TV/Internet and on the news
- Encourage debate and questioning on local and world events to help your child see the wider picture
- Explain that anyone who tells them to keep secrets from their family or teachers is likely to be trying to hurt them or put them in danger.

How do people groom children?

- Befriending them
- Offering treats and presents
- Asking children not to tell anyone about the friendship
- Flattering the child,
- Posing online as someone else the same age

What the school does to keep children safe?

DBS Certificates

All staff including supply staff, coaches, regular visitors and volunteers are subject to Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS) certificates. This is to help ensure that unsuitable people are prevented from working with children.

Allegations

Any allegations should be reported to the Safeguarding staff team. If concerns are about the Headteacher please contact the Chair of Governors.

Visitors

Visitors must sign in the visitors book at the school reception. Visitors must wear visitors badges at all times, those not wearing badges will be challenged.

All adults in school are responsible for their own actions and behaviours and should avoid any contact which would lead any reasonable person to question their motivation and intention.



Mr Scott (DSL) Mrs Crainie (DDSL) Mrs Wilson (DDSL)

Designated Safeguarding Team External Contacts

MASH-Multi Agency Safeguarding Hub 0300 126 1000
Email MASH @Northamptonshire.gcsx.gov.uk
Social Services 01604 626938 (Out of hours)
Click CEOP (Child Exploitation Online Protection)
<https://www.ceop.police.uk/safety-centre> or call 999



COTTINGHAM

CHURCH of ENGLAND

PRIMARY SCHOOL

Keeping children safe from radicalisation , extremism and child abuse

Advice for parents, carers and visitors.

It is everyone's responsibility to safeguard children.



What If a child discloses a safeguarding concern?

Whilst this can be an alarming situation, it is important you know what to do in such an eventuality.

- Listen to what is being said without displaying shock or disbelief.
- Allow the child to talk freely. Listen but do not ask direct questions.
- Reassure the child, but do not make any promises that might not be possible for you to keep.
- Do not promise confidentiality, but explain that you will have to tell the teacher or Headteacher in order to help them.
- Do not interrogate the child or ask any leading questions. You **MUST NOT investigate.**
- Reassure the child it is not their fault.
- Stress it was right to tell.

Make them aware that their disclosure will be reported only to those that need to know and can help

What do you need to do?

- Immediately contact the safeguarding lead or deputy, or chair of governors if the headteacher is part of the disclosure.
- Make sure everything is written down as soon as possible using the exact words the child used where possible, sign and date the record.
- It is important to remember the child's details and name must remain confidential. Any discussion that you feel you need to undertake does not allow the child to be identified by anyone else.

Child abuse is never the fault of the child.

Recognising when a child is at risk of radicalisation and extremism is the key to keeping them safe. We ask everyone in school to respond to indicators that something is not right in a child's life. Adults may not understand that a young child maybe at risk of radicalisation and extremism as it is extremely rare for school age children to become involved in extremism. However young children can be exposed to extremist influences via the peers, internet and social media from an early age. Therefore early intervention is always preferable.

What to look for

If your child is being affected by any safeguarding issues that might display certain types of behavior such as:

- **Unexplained changes in friendships**
- **Secretive behavior**
- **Losing interest in old friends**
- **Glorifying violence**
- **Advocating racism or other topics that are extreme**
- **Unexplained change in moods**

Mobile Technology

Supply staff, coaches and visitors must not use their personal mobiles or mobile technology in the presence of children or to take photographs of children.

FIRE EVACUATION

In the case of a fire or fire drill, everyone must leave the building by the nearest fire exit and assemble on the playground.