



St Helen Auckland Community Primary School

Short Child Protection Policy

(not to take the place of the full policy)

Our Child Protection Policy Statement:

Children have the right to achieve to their maximum potential in an environment that is safe, secure and supportive of their needs, including any needs they have for protection from harm or abuse.

We are committed to promote the welfare of all children by working in partnership with parents, the LA, and relevant agencies and partners in Child Protection in line with locally agreed procedures and practices.

Our policy applies to all members of the school community including children, parents/ carers, staff, governors, visitors and all local and wider community adults being involved in school.

Four Types of Abuse:

Physical:

Such as hitting, shaking, throwing, poisoning, burns, scaling, drowning, suffocating or any other physical harm

Emotional:

Persistent emotional maltreatment that causes a severe, persistent adverse effect on the child's emotional development

Sexual:

Forcing or enticing a child to take part in sexual activities whether or not the child is aware of what is happening

Neglect:

Persistent failure to meet a child's basic physical or psychological needs that is likely to result in serious impairment of the child's health and development

Listening to children

All adults should follow the following guidance as laid out in our pocked sized cards:

- **Identify, listen to and reassure child**
- **Don't question or investigate**
- **Don't delay**
- **Write down concerns**
- **Speak to the designated teachers – Mrs Mackenzie, Mrs Elmes or Mrs Treend**

In the absence of the 3 designated teachers see Mrs Carroll – PSA, also level 2 trained to deal with Child Protection Cases.

Headteacher signature: _____

Governor signature: _____

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