



Safeguarding

At Gillingstool Primary we provide outstanding pastoral and academic care and guidance for all children that attend the school. We are proud of our school and instil the values for life within the children. We ensure that that respect, hope and love transcend all that we do, say and think.

At Gillingstool the health and safety of all children is of paramount importance. Parents send their children to school each day with the expectation that school provides a secure environment in which their children can flourish. Gillingstool Primary therefore has to ensure that this expectation becomes reality. The school will follow the guidance and legislation set out by the DFE, which includes the guidance set out in Keeping Children Safe in Education (2020).

To enable the school to ensure that all pupils are safeguarded all members of staff and volunteers are subject to DBS checks and have regular training to update knowledge, understanding and awareness of safeguarding and child protection issues.

The Safeguarding/Child Protection policy is vitally important in enabling the school to carry out it's statutory and moral duties in respect of safeguarding. We also ensure that we are following latest guidance and policy relating to staff recruitment.

	
Mrs Caroline Carter Designated Safeguarding Lead	Ms. Emma Sale Designated Deputy Safeguarding Lead

Governor with responsibility for Safeguarding – Mr Graham Corpe

If your concerns relate to any of the above people please contact the Chair of Governors Mr Dave Llewellyn via email: office@gillingstool.org.uk or contact the local Safeguarding team on 01454 866000 or the Local Authority Designated Officer, Tina Wilson, on 01454 863377.

Self harm

As a school we have decided to follow the guidance from the NSPCC for primary aged children. This link below will give you information on self-harm, many different questions are raised and answered on the reasons and strategies to deal with children who are self harming.

In school we ensure that the children's mental health and well being are catered for through a variety of excellent pastoral care, guidance and provision for those children who may be vulnerable.

<https://www.nspcc.org.uk/preventing-abuse/keeping-children-safe/self-harm/>