



SAFEGUARDING NEWSLETTER

Each month we will bring you key headlines to keep you informed of school news linked to safeguarding, as well as any updates of policies, school procedures or training.

Staff Training

This week the staff have not only been busy setting up their classrooms, but have also completed their Level 2 Safeguarding training with Reconstruct. This was a really insightful twilight session which ensured that all staff are very clear on the school's systems and processes, know what signs to look out for in our children where concerns may arise, and how to manage disclosures.

Site Security

Parents should be aware that the school is required by law to take any reasonable action to ensure the safety of our pupils on the school site. The children's safety is of paramount importance, and the need to secure the premises, with regard to both people and property, cannot be stressed enough. Good security allows staff and children to feel safe and confident in their surroundings, but the school site is only as secure as the people who use it and the whole school community has a responsibility to help us maintain security. A significant part of this is monitoring the visitors, volunteers and others who use the school premises during school time, all of whom are required to sign in. Our children and parents are crucial to this process, and we encourage you to report any concerns to the school office. We understand that there will be times when you want to speak to the class teacher, the school reception or with myself – and we certainly welcome you to do so. All we ask is that you sign in via the office so we always have a record of who is on site at any given moment. Also, when moving around the school premises, please close all gates behind you.

Road Safety

Due to the nature of our site we do allow parents who are Blue Disability Badge holders, for either themselves or for their child, to park for a short period at the beginning and end of each day to collect children.

All other parents must not drive on to school premises or block private roads when parking to drop off or pick up their child from school. We must ensure the safety of our children and it is therefore necessary for us to restrict the amount of vehicular access near the school grounds when children are entering and leaving the premises. We would also ask that you do not block the private road on the approach to the school gates, or the mini roundabout.

Of course, we do advocate that as many children as possible should walk to school – the fresh air and exercise on a daily basis gives huge health benefits, helps reduce our carbon footprint, and is free! In addition, parking lower down in the village could ultimately save you time instead of waiting for a parking space that may never appear...

If you would be interested in helping to set up a Walking Bus with a group of Parent volunteers, please come and speak to Miss Lock.

