

Reporting a Governor visit to Kea School

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Purpose of visit Safeguarding training. Attend to receive training and also deliver a Prevent input.	
Links with the School Improvement Plan/ 20 Questions Fulfilling statutory requirements. Keeping children safe in Education.	
Governor Observations and Comments I attended the Basic Awareness In Safeguarding Children training delivered by Miss Warren on 5 th January 2018. The outcomes of the training were outlined at the start, that by the end of the training we should: . Understand our responsibilities with respect to safeguarding children from harm . Have increased knowledge and confidence in relation to some of the key issues . Know how you should respond to child welfare concerns . Know where to go and what to do if you have concerns . Considered some of the ways to minimise vulnerability to allegations being made against staff, and how to respond if concerns arise I noted that a small number of the school staff were not present due to other training requirements however, a subsequent training event took place a week later. A number of governors also attended that training. The training was very thorough and extremely informative and consisted of a PowerPoint presentation, questioning and group work. All of the staff took part in the group discussions and often posed thoughtful or challenging questions. During the session members of staff made suggestions to improve ways in which safeguarding takes place at the school. One such suggestion was to make the safeguarding information posters more visible in each classroom and also the school foyer to give a clear visual message of Kea's robust approach to safeguarding children. As part of the training I delivered an input about Prevent and the governments Counter Terrorism Strategy. Prevent training is often met with 'it will never happen here' mentality so it was particularly reassuring that the staff could see the merit of Prevent training in a rural school in Cornwall. I had some very interesting questions in relation to the extremism, both extreme right wing and Islamist. Following the training I received feedback from some of the members of staff that they had found the whole training session very interesting. It was apparent that they were clearer about what they should do if any disclosures occurred and also if they had any concerns about staff members or visitors and volunteers. Although not statutory for governors to attend this training most of the governing body have now completed it.	