



SAFEGUARDING NEWSLETTER

SAFEGUARDING EVERYONE'S RESPONSIBILITY

Designated safeguarding Leads

Alison Bolton
Gillian Hayes
Andrea Hickey
Dawn Ashbrook

Useful numbers

Childline 0800 1111
Wigan Safeguarding Hub 01942 486262
Wigan Social care Referral and Assessment team 01942 828 300

Keeping Children Safe in Education September 2019

KCSE September 2019

As you may be aware the key documentation for safeguarding in schools is Keeping Children Safe in Education. A new version of this document came into operation on September 1st 2019.

Table of changes / Updates

Where	What
Summary	
Page 4	Removed reference to multi-agency "transitional" arrangements from the summary on page 4 (as the new three safeguarding partner arrangements must be in place by September 2019)
Part one	
Abuse and neglect	A number of paragraphs have been moved in Part 1 to improve the flow of this section. Content has not been changed but the information that was included at the end of Part 1 covering abuse, neglect and safeguarding issues has been moved to the "What school and college staff should look out for section"
Paragraph 27	Reference to upskirting included (which is now a criminal offence)
Paragraph 29-30	New paragraphs on serious violence
Paragraph 53	Updated the link to the NSPCC helpline
Part two	
Paragraphs 68-75	Multi-agency working updated to reflect new safeguarding partner arrangements
Paragraph 79	Updated to make it clear that the DPA/GDPR does not prevent schools from withholding education data where doing so would be in the interests of a child in a refuge
Paragraph 89	Updated to reflect the new requirements for Relationships Education, Relationships and Sex Education and Health Education
Paragraph 91	Updated to reflect new Ofsted framework
Paragraph 91	Removed the reference to the School Inspection Service as they no longer inspect independent schools
Part three	
Paragraph 122	Removed reference to section 167A of the Education Act

Three Safeguarding Partners

Police
Health
Social care

Upskirting

This is now a criminal offence and should be reported to the police. Upskirting is taking photographs under a persons clothing for either sexual gratification or humiliation. Any suspicion of peer on peer abuse should be reported to the DSL

Serious Violence

This refers to gang related violence and staff should be aware of possible indicators that a child may be involved in serious crime (County Lines)

- Absence from school
- Injuries / changes in well being
- Unexplained gifts
- Changes in behaviour / gang related talk

Keeping Children Safe in Education Pt 1

This can be found using the following link:

https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/828587/Keeping_children_safe_in_education_part_one.pdf

This will be issued on 16th September along with updated policies.

Peer on Peer abuse

There are four key definitions of peer-on-peer abuse:

- Domestic abuse – young people who experience physical, emotional, sexual and/or financial abuse, and coercive control, in their intimate relationships, as well as family relationships.
- Child sexual exploitation – those under the age of 18 who are sexually abused in the context of exploitative relationships, contexts and situations, by a person of any age, including another young person.
- Serious youth violence – any offence of most serious violence or weapon-enabled crime, where the victim is aged 19 or younger, e.g. wounding with intent, rape, murder and grievous bodily harm.

Some facts about Peer on Peer Abuse

- Rates of violence are higher for girls in England than in any other country.
- 1 in 3 girls have experienced sexual violence from a partner before they turn 18 years old.
- 4 in 10 teenage girls have experienced sexual coercion when they have been aged between 13 and 17 years.
- One in five girls in England have suffered physical violence from their boyfriend.
- 48 percent of girls have experienced instances of emotional and online abuse from their partners.
- Young people have reported that physical, sexual and emotional abusing, as well as being abused by their peers, is a means of survival in gang affected neighbourhoods.
- Two thirds of contact sexual abuse experienced by children under the age of 17 was perpetrated by someone under 18 years old.

Almost a third of girls aged between 16 and 18 years old have been subjected to unwanted sexual touching in UK schools.

Incidents of Peer on Peer abuse are becoming more frequent. If you believe someone has disclosed an incident of Peer on Peer abuse please refer the matter to the Safeguarding Team immediately through the appropriate channels.

Training New Staff Only

A reminder that if you have not already done so please return your completed safeguarding declaration to Alison Bolton. If you are new to the school you also have to complete your online training. (See Carol Brockbank) and the Home Office Prevent Training using the following link. <https://www.elearning.prevent.homeoffice.gov.uk/edu/screen1.html>