

Russells Hall Primary School

A Safeguarding and Child Protection Policy for Children

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What is Child Protection?

Child Proctection means that at Russells Hall Primary School, all of the adults around you think your health, safety and welfare is very important. We make sure that all children stay safe and feel secure. We listen to you and value your opinions. We help to protect your rights as children.



What is it for?

At Russells Hall Primary School we have a Child Protection Policy which helps the adults and children:

- To be protected.
- To make decisions if there is a problem.
- To aid us in finding help and support.

How do we protect you and keep you safe?

- At Russells Hall we promote a safe and nuturing school environment for you to learn and play in.
- We make sure you are looked after properly at home as well as in school.
- We make sure you have the best life chances and provide you with lots of opportunities so that you can grow up happy and successful.
- We teach you how to recognise risks - those moments that make you have that *"Uh-oh,"* feeling and how you can protect yourselves and stay safe.
- We teach you where to get help if you are feeling worried or unhappy about something.
- We teach you how to stay safe online.

What do I do if I have a worry or concern?

You can talk to anyone at Russells Hall Primary School if you have a worry or a concern. **It is everyones responsibility to keep you safe and listen to your concerns**. Sometimes, you may feel you can't talk about your worries or concerns and may find it easier to write them down or draw a picture and give it to an adult- that is also absolutely fine.

We regularly talk about our **trusted adults** in school – Mrs Houlston is our Designated Safegaurding Lead (DSL), Mrs Parkes, Mrs Hawker, Mrs Tams and Miss Gray are our Deputy Designated Safeguarding Leads (DDSL) and you can tallk to them if you are worried or concerned. Sometimes, adults will talk to them if they are concerned about you and they will help you get support and make you feel safe again.

Here are some other people that will help to keep you safe if you don't want to talk to anyone at school.

ChildLine 0800 1111

Childline is here to help anyone under 19 in the UK with any issue they're going through. You can talk about anything. Whether it's something big or small. Childline is free, and someone is available to talk to any time of day or night.

CLICK CEOP Internet Safety

The National Crime Agency's CEOP Education team help protect children and young people from online abuse. There is one of these buttons at the bottom of our school website.

'Think u know' is an education programme from the National Crime Agency's Child Exploitation and Online Protection (CEOP) Command. The website is split into sections containing information for children aged 4-14+ years old.



Remember, at Russells Hall, **it is everyone's responsibility to make sure you are safe and happy.**



If you need to talk, we will ***always*** listen.



