

What is safeguarding?

Safeguarding is the action that is taken to promote the welfare of children and protect them from harm.

Safeguarding means:

- Protecting children from abuse and maltreatment
- Preventing harm to children's health or development
- Ensuring children grow up with the provision of safe and effective care
- Taking action to enable all children and young people to have the best outcomes.

Child protection is one part of the safeguarding process. It focuses on protecting individual children identified as suffering or likely to suffer significant harm. This includes child protection procedures that detail how to respond to concerns about a child. Safeguarding children and child protection applies to all children up to the age of 18.

'Safeguarding is everyone's responsibility, every day'

Keeping your child safe in school means:

- The health and safety of all children
- Making sure that the adults who work & visit here have undergone the necessary safety and security checks
- Protecting children from deliberate harm
- Being pro-active against bullying and protecting our pupils from harassment and discrimination
- A positive approach to behaviour management—following our policy
- Meeting the needs of pupils with medical conditions & providing first aid
- Children enjoying safe educational visits
- Providing a curriculum that teaches children how to help keep themselves safe including online
- Ensuring the school site is secure and safe
- Being a 'listening school' to worries and concerns (posters around school, worry monsters and wellbeing warriors).

All of our staff have regular safeguarding training and weekly briefing updates. Staff updated their safeguarding training on the September INSET day. Safeguarding is also part of our induction programme for new staff.

Operation Encompass:

Our school participates in a national scheme called 'Operation Encompass' which is a joint partnership between Staffordshire Police and schools. One of the principles of Operation Encompass is that all incidents of domestic abuse are shared with schools, not just those where an offence can be identified. This system has been established to help schools provide in-school support to children who have been present at, exposed to, or involved in any domestic abuse incident. We know that children can be significantly harmed, physically and/or emotionally during these situations, and that it also negatively affects their learning & behaviour. Therefore, as part of the Operation Encompass procedure the school receives an email from Staffordshire Police the morning after a child has been witness to, or involved in any recorded domestic abuse incident. We are then able to use this information to provide the right support to any child and their family as and when they need it.

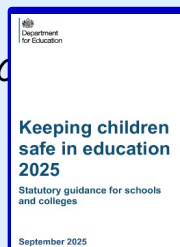


Key Documents

We have reviewed and updated our Safeguarding and Child Protection Policy in line with 'Keeping Children Safe in Education 2025' [Keeping children safe in education 2025](#)

Click here to view Moor First School's Safeguarding and Child Protection Policy September 2025

<https://www.moorfirstschool.co.uk/wp-content/uploads/2025/11/2025Signed-Safeguarding.pdf>



Staffordshire Safeguarding Children Board's Priorities for 2025-2028 are:



Extra Familial Harm (Contextual Safeguarding)
Effective integrated front door
Intra-familial Child Sexual abuse
Domestic Abuse

Top Tips For New Christmas Devices From Our Digital Leaders!



Tip 1 - Keep Your Passwords Private

Your password is like your Christmas present—keep it secret and only share with your parents! 🎁

Tip 2 - Ask Before You Download

Before you unwrap a new game or app, ask an adult first! Some downloads can be naughty, not nice. 🎁

Tip 3 - Be Kind Online 🌲

Spread Christmas cheer online! Be kind, just like you would in real life.

Tip 4 - Don't Share Personal Info

Don't give away your personal details like they're Christmas presents—keep them safe! 🎁

Tip 5 - Tell Someone If Something Feels Wrong

If something feels frosty or makes you upset, tell a grown-up straight away. ❄️

Dark night tips for parents - now the dark nights are well and truly here, we just wanted to share some advice on keeping children safe:



Be Bright, Be Seen": Use reflective vests, sashes, wristbands, or stickers on bags/coats; bright colours help at dusk, but reflective items are key in the dark.

Hold Hands: Children should hold hands or walk close by; don't let them run ahead or on their own.

Headphones Off/Down: Teach kids (especially teens) to remove headphones or keep volume low to hear traffic.