

Carr Hill High School

Covid-19 Addendum to School Safeguarding Policy

KEY AREA	CONTENT
Maintaining links with safeguarding partners	 The school will check briefings from the DfE, Lancashire County Council, local Safeguarding Advisers in LCC and MASH as well as checking Encompass and liaising with primary schools.
Referrals to CSC and LADO	 LADO Services are operating during the pandemic, using Skype as necessary and so any concerns about harm to children are subject to consultation with LADO as in normal operating. CSC can be contacted on 0300 123 6720 (no hot-line services) and cypreferrals@lancashire.gov.uk The Schools Safeguarding Advice Line and MASH Education Officers are still available and will be used for advice about threshold and wider safeguarding concerns.
Designated Safeguarding Lead	 When no DSL is available on site, their mobile phones will be switched on, and emails checked. Mobile numbers will be left for staff in school to pass on to professionals who may need them. If no DSL is available to school – staff can seek further guidance from the County Safeguarding advice line 01772 531196 We will ensure that if children from another school are being cared for on our site or vice versa then links will be in place between the respective DSL functions to share information. We will ensure arrangements to ensure that all staff, including volunteers and any adults who are not familiar with the setting know who to speak to if they have concerns about a child. We will have arrangements to ensure that all adults on school site understand the school's commitment to acting immediately in response to any safeguarding concerns
Supporting Vulnerable Children (allocated to a social worker)	 Ensure that there are arrangements in place to maintain the school's contribution to multi agency safeguarding and support for looked after children (CLA), Children In Need and children subject to Child Protection plans. The school has names of which children are vulnerable, and has up-to-date contact details. Arrangements are in place for contact to be made with these students at least once a week and a risk assessment has been completed for each. The social workers of all CLAs have been contacted and informed of arrangements for these children during this time. The virtual school has also been informed.
Supporting potentially Vulnerable Children (not allocated to a social worker)	 The school has used internal monitoring systems to identify students who they class as vulnerable, but who do not have a SW attached to them. Each of these has an allocated member of school staff who will make weekly contact. The appendix (below) is used to inform us in risk planning. Appendix 1 to Risk Assessment Guidance
Peer on peer abuse	The school is not open to any students other than those on-roll at Carr Hill. Only staff who have undertaken the school's internal safeguarding training, led by the DSLs, are supervising any students who attend.



Online Safeguarding	 Parents have received regular information from the school as to how to safeguard their children's online activity. Children have been educated on the dangers of online activity and on how to stay safe and remain within the law. Guidance will be posted to the school website to remind parents of reasonable steps to take to ensure their children keep themselves safe online.
Children with specific health needs	 Any students who have a care plan in school are in the care of their families. Parents were involved in the creation of the care plans, and look after them when school is not open, and therefore these arrangements will be in place until school reopens.
Safer Recruitment & use of Volunteers	No volunteers will have any interaction with students during the closure period.
Operation Encompass	The same procedures will be in place upon receipt of Encompass referrals as would be in place usually. Face-to-face contact with students may be replaced by phone conversations (in-line with the risk assessments). Communications will continue to take place with the primary schools/nurseries of siblings as normal.

Named person responsible for ensuring staff are aware of the above.

DSL NAME: James Johnstone

DATE: 12.01.2020

Named governor aware of the school/colleges interim arrangements

GOVERNOR NAME: Linda Nulty

DATE: 12.01.20