

CHILD PROTECTION

All Child Protection concerns need to be acted on immediately.

If you are concerned that a child may be at risk or is suffering abuse, you should tell one of the Designated Safeguarding Team at St Joseph's College.

Designated Safeguarding Lead:	Ms E McIntyre
Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead:	Miss C Kingston
Safeguarding Team and trained Child Protection Officers:	Mr G Mantillas (Acting Headteacher) Mr D Nelson (Associate Assistant Headteacher - Pastoral) Mr C Goodair (Head of Year/ Head of Lower School Standards) Mr D Black (Pastoral Leader - Lower School Years 7 & 8) Miss L Stephens (Head of Year 7) Mr N Emambux (Head of Year 10) Ms N Da Costa (Pastoral Leader Year 9)
Email Contact:	Safeguarding@sjc.ac

All Adults, including the designated safeguarding staff, have a duty of care by law to refer all known or suspected cases of abuse to the relevant agencies including social services or the police. Where a disclosure is made to a visiting staff member from a different agency, e.g., The WPA, CAMHS, Brook or School Nursing Team, it is the responsibility of that agency staff to formally report the referral to the School's Designated Person in the first instance. They should then report the concern via their own agency's procedures.

Where the disclosure is made by a child attending an alternative provision, the referral should be recorded and referred to the On-Site Senior Designated Person and a formal notification made to the College DSL/DDSL where the student is on role for information or appropriate

action to be taken. Any records made should be kept securely on the student's Child Protection file.

STATUTORY GUIDANCE FROM THE DFE:

Keeping Children Safe in Education is statutory guidance for schools and colleges who must have regard to it when carrying out their duties to safeguard and promote the welfare of children.

Governing bodies of maintained (including maintained nursery schools), non-maintained special schools, and colleges, proprietors of independent schools (including academies, free schools and alternative provision academies) and management committees of pupil referral units (PRUs), further education colleges and sixth form colleges are asked to ensure that all staff read and understand at least part one of the guidance.

Keeping Children Safe in Education has been updated for implementation from September 2022.

This is required to be read and understood by all staff and can be found here: www.assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/1101454/Keeping_children_safe_in_education_2022.pdf

