

SAFEGUARDING CHILDREN STATEMENT

FOR

HAREWOOD PRIMARY SCHOOL

This school believes that children must be protected from harm at all times.

- We believe every child should be valued, safe and happy. We want to make sure that children we have contact with know this and are empowered to tell us if they are suffering harm.
- We want children who use, or have contact with, this school to enjoy what we have to offer in safety.
- We want parents and carers of children who use or attend our school to be supported to care for their children in a way that promotes their child's health and wellbeing and keeps them safe.
- We want organisations who work with us, or who provide funding to us, to have confidence and recognise that we are a safe school.
- We will achieve this by having an effective safeguarding children procedure and follow National guidance (What To Do If You're Worried A Child is Being Abused) <http://www.dcsf.gov.uk/everychildmatters/resources-an-practice/IG00182>
- If we discover or suspect a child is suffering harm we will notify The Children's Hub, tel: 01429 284284 (outside of hours 01642 524552), email: childrenshub@hartlepool.gcsx.gov.uk in order that they can be protected if necessary.
- This Safeguarding Children Policy Statement and our safeguarding children procedure apply to all staff, volunteers and users of Harewood Primary School and anyone carrying out any work for us or using our premises.
- We will review our safeguarding children policy and procedures at least every two years to make sure they are still relevant and effective.
- Any concerns arising during after school/out of hours clubs the Designated Child Protection Officer is Mrs J Conway, Headteacher, who must be informed immediately. Concerns should not be left until the following day. If the Headteacher is not on site the Caretaker will be able to pass on her telephone number to you.

Signed: (Headteacher) Date:

Signed: (Vice Chair of Governors) Date: