Safeguarding Leads

St Chad's senior members of staff who have designated responsibility for Safeguarding across school are **Kayleigh Pearson** (Headteacher) and **Elizabeth Challinor-Harris** (Deputy Head) they have a full safeguarding training which is refreshed annually and regularly attend additional briefing sessions run by the LSCB (Local Safeguarding Children's Board) which ensures they have up to date knowledge of recent child protection issues nationally and within Oldham.

In their absence, **Mrs A Bennison,** deputy designated safeguarding lead, will take on the role and is trained in safeguarding.

The Child Protection Policy is regularly updated and underpins the child protection procedures that all staff in school must adhere to. It highlights staff roles and responsibilities towards safeguarding. All staff including governors receive safeguarding training and regular briefing sessions help to develop a culture where everyone in school feels responsible for safeguarding and are confident to-

Keep children safe by providing a safe environment for them to learn and develop in
Identify children and young people who may be at risk of significant harm and taking appropriate actions to ensure they are kept safe at home and in school

All staff follow the procedures stated in The Child Protection Policy and will inform the designated leads, if they have significant concerns about a child. The policy underpins three key documents school should adhere to - Working together to Safeguard Children- 2015, Keeping Children Safe in Education- 2023 and The PREVENT Duty- 2015. Through their day to day contact with children staff have a crucial role to play in keeping children safe. Parent/Carers should be aware that if the school has a significant concern regarding a child they have a duty to inform Social Services, this would usually be done after a discussion with parents unless it would put the child in more harm.

What to do if you are worried about child-

If you have any issues related to safeguarding, please contact Kayleigh Pearson, Elizabeth Challinor-Harris or Amanda Bennison on the school number 01457 875151

If you think a child in Oldham is at risk and they do not attend our school, please contact- The MASH team- 0161-770-7777