

## Online Safety

Technology plays an important role in children's lives, and we are committed to helping them use it safely.

We teach children about:

- Safe use of the internet
- Social media awareness
- Online bullying
- Gaming safety
- Sharing personal information
- Digital footprints
- The AI world
- Recognising misinformation and disinformation

## Tips for Parents

- Set parental controls on devices.
- Know which apps and games your child is using.
- Keep devices in family spaces where possible.
- Talk regularly about online experiences.
- Encourage children to tell an adult if something worries them online.

We also keep parents informed about current safeguarding initiatives, online safety concerns and emerging risks through our monthly Parent Safeguarding Newsletter. These newsletters provide practical advice, guidance and resources to help families keep children safe both online and offline.

## Working Together

Parents and carers play a vital role in safeguarding children.

Please let us know if:

- There are changes at home that may affect your child.
- Your child has any medical needs.
- You have concerns about your child's wellbeing.
- Your contact details change.

The more we know, the better we can support your child.

We believe that strong partnerships between school, parents and the wider community help children feel safe, valued and ready to learn.

## Redwood Primary School



## Safeguarding Information for Parents and Carers

At Redwood, the safety, wellbeing and happiness of every child is our highest priority. We are committed to creating a safe, supportive and nurturing environment where children can learn, grow and thrive.

This leaflet provides important information about safeguarding and how we work together with families to keep children safe.

# Welcome to Redwood!

## What is Safeguarding?

Safeguarding means protecting children from harm and promoting their welfare. It includes:

- Keeping children safe from abuse, neglect and exploitation.
- Supporting children's physical and emotional wellbeing.
- Promoting online safety.
- Ensuring children are safe both in school and in the wider community.
- Helping children develop the knowledge and skills they need to stay safe.

Safeguarding is everyone's responsibility.

## Our Safeguarding Team

If you have any concerns about a child's safety or wellbeing, please contact a member of our safeguarding team.



Mrs Shepherd  
Designated  
Safeguarding  
Lead



Mrs Kinder  
Deputy  
Safeguarding  
Lead



Ms Nicholson  
Deputy  
Safeguarding  
Lead

School Contact Number: **01332 767443**

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You can also contact:

- NSPCC Helpline
- Childline
- Derby City children's social care team: Monday to Friday, between 9am and 5pm. Telephone: 01332 641172 or fax 01332 643299.

In an emergency, always call **999**.

## How We Keep Children Safe

At Redwood we:

- Ensure all staff receive regular safeguarding training.
- Follow safer recruitment procedures when employing staff and volunteers.
- Teach children how to keep themselves safe through our curriculum and assemblies.
- Have clear procedures for reporting and responding to concerns.
- Work closely with parents, carers and external agencies when needed.
- Promote positive behaviour, wellbeing and mental health.
- Monitor attendance and support families where concerns arise.

## Attendance Matters

Good attendance helps children achieve their best and supports their wellbeing.

Please:

- Ensure your child attends school every day unless they are unwell.
- Inform the school promptly if your child is absent.
- Avoid taking holidays during term time.

If attendance becomes a concern, we will work with you to provide support.

## Promoting Positive Relationships

We encourage children to:

- Be kind and respectful.
- Speak to trusted adults if they are worried.
- Celebrate differences.
- Treat others fairly.

We do not tolerate bullying and encourage children to report concerns so that we can help.