

Our Safeguarding Team

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The Greater Horseshoe School has safeguarding and child protection procedures, policy documents and a training programme that incorporates government and policy legislation. As part of our staff induction process all employees are provided with the appropriate safeguarding documents, including the latest version of Keeping Children Safe in Education. A copy of the child protection and other safeguarding policies are available to our parents/carers, social workers, placing authorities and other significant people. Staff receive annual training, which is completed in house by our safeguarding team, and is supported by regular safeguarding training updates throughout the year.

At the Greater Horseshoe School, we provide a very caring and professional setting in which the children will be given full emotional support without it being detrimental to their safety and well-being. All staff are aware of their responsibilities for safeguarding and promoting the welfare of young people. Our school provides policy guidance, which sets out clear guidelines and expectations in the school with regards to appropriate relationships between all staff and the children.

The Greater Horseshoe School has a duty of care and, therefore, a responsibility to pass on any child protection and safeguarding concerns to the relevant Local Authority Children's Social Care.

Operation Encompass

Our school is part of Operation Encompass.

Operation Encompass is a national police and education early intervention safeguarding partnership which supports children and young people who experience Domestic Violence and Abuse and which is in place in every police force in England and Wales.

Children were recognised as victims of domestic abuse in their own right in the 2021 Domestic Abuse Act.

Operation Encompass means that the police will share information with our school about **all** police attended Domestic Abuse incidents which involve any of our children PRIOR to the start of the next school day.

Once a Key Adult (DSL) and their deputies (DDSLs) have attended either an Operation Encompass briefing or completed the online Operation Encompass Key Adult training they will cascade the principles of Operation Encompass to all other school staff and Governors. All schools staff and Governors can undertake the online training.

Our DSL undertook training on 27/5/2022

Operation Encompass - <https://www.operationencompass.org/>

Further Information

KCSIE -

https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/1080047/KCSIE_2022_revised.pdf

Devon Children and Families Partnership - <https://www.dcfp.org.uk/>

Devon County Council (safeguarding) - <https://www.devon.gov.uk/educationandfamilies/child-protection/>

NSPCC - <https://www.nspcc.org.uk/>

Action For Children - <https://www.actionforchildren.org.uk/about-us/safeguarding-children/>

Young Devon - <https://www.youngdevon.org/wellbeing%20/>

Kooth - <https://www.kooth.com/>

Young Minds - <https://www.youngminds.org.uk/>

Childline - 0800 11 11