

KING ARTHUR'S COMMUNITY SCHOOL

Safeguarding Children and Young People



Rational

King Arthur's Community School is determined to ensure all necessary steps are taken to protect children and young people from potential harm and to ensure their ongoing success, particularly in relation to the five outcomes of Every Child Matters:

- Be Healthy
- Stay Safe
- Enjoy and Achieve
- Make a positive contribution
- Achieve economic well-being

King Arthur's Community School will ensure that every young person is able to participate fully and enjoy a safe learning environment where they are protected from threat or harm. This is the responsibility of every adult involved in the work of the school.

'This school is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people and expects all staff and volunteers to share this commitment'

The Children Act 1989 defines a child as anyone who has not reached their 18th birthday. A young person may have reached 16 years of age be living independently or be in further education, or be a member of the armed forces, be in hospital or be in prison or a Young Offenders' Institution, but will still retain the status or entitlement to services and protection.

The policy has been prepared in accordance with Somerset Safeguarding Children Board's guidance and procedures.

King Arthur's Community School will ensure that;

- The welfare child/young person comes before other considerations.
- All students respective of age, culture, disability, gender, language, racial origin, religious beliefs or sexual identity have the right to be protected from threat or harm
- All allegations of abuse will be taken seriously and responded to swiftly and appropriately.
- All staff and volunteers (paid/unpaid) working in the organisation have a responsibility to report concerns to one of the designated persons.

The following policies are related to safeguarding::

Child Protection Policy

Anti-bullying Policy

Reasonable Force Policy

Safer Recruitment Policy

Whistle-blowing Code

E-safety

Children Looked After Policy

Further References

Working Together to Safeguard Children - A Guide to Inter-agency Working to Safeguard and Promote the Welfare of Children (DCSF 2006)

Safer Practice for Adults who work with Children and Young People (DCSF 2007)

Safeguarding in and Safer Recruitment in Education (DCSF 2007)

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