



## Summary of Child Protection Information for Visitors and Volunteers

Reaside Academy is committed to the highest standards in protecting and safeguarding the children entrusted to our care.

Our school will support all children by:

- Promoting a caring, safe and positive environment within the academy
- Encouraging self esteem and self assertiveness
- Effectively tackling bullying and harassment

We recognise that some children may be the victims of neglect, physical, sexual or emotional abuse. Staff working with children are well placed to identify such abuse.

At Reaside Academy in order to protect our children we aim to:

- Create an atmosphere where all our children can feel secure, valued and listened to
- Recognise signs and symptoms of abuse
- Respond quickly, appropriately and effectively to cases of suspected abuse

If you have a concern that a child is being harmed, is at risk of harm, or you receive a disclosure (intentional or unintentional) you must contact the following staff member as DSP as quickly as possible:

Mrs S Wiseman (HT/DSL)

Mrs K Lawrence (DSL Lead)

Mrs J Kavanagh (Deputy DSL)

Miss S Gabb (Deputy DSL)

Everyone working with our children, their parents and carers should be aware that:

- Their role is to listen and note carefully any observations which could indicate abuse
- They should not attempt to investigate once the initial concern is raised
- They should involve the designated Senior Persons (DSP) immediately
- Disclosures of abuse or harm from children may be made at any time.

If anything worries you or concerns you, report it straight away -  
Thank you