

## Safeguarding Statement

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Collingwood School is committed to providing a caring, nurturing and safe environment for all its pupils in order for them to learn and thrive in a happy and secure atmosphere. The school takes seriously its responsibility to protect and safeguard its pupils. We are an 'open school' - anyone who has worries or concerns for themselves or for another pupil is encouraged to talk to an adult about it. We have a Safeguarding Policy and procedures in place on our website for all to read. All staff, volunteers and governors are made aware of these procedures.

Sometimes, we may need to share information and work in partnership with other agencies when there are concerns about a child's welfare. We will ensure that any issues are discussed first with parents or carers unless we have reason to believe that such a conversation would not be in the best interests of the child.

The Designated Safeguarding Lead is Mr Leigh Hardie. The Deputy Safeguarding Lead is Ms Lisa Tidey.