

Child Safeguarding Statement



The Aldgate School and CoL Children's Centre

Our organisation has completed a CHSCP Self-Assessment.



Nature / Type of Organisation and Services Provided:

A one form entry primary school with Nursery. The City of London's Children's Centre has been delegated to the school and works onsite. Childcare is offered from 3 months.

Our commitment to safeguarding children:

As a school we are firmly committed to the safeguarding of children at every level. We work together with the staff, parents and outside agencies to ensure the safeguarding of every child by all adults in our setting.

All adults at The Aldgate School are working together to safeguard and promote the welfare of pupils. We work together in a joined up and coordinated way to do this. Safeguarding and promoting the welfare of pupils goes beyond implementing basic child protection procedures. It is an integral part of all the activities and functions of The Aldgate School and the Children's Centre.

Risk that children might face (1)

Risk of harm by children accessing inappropriate content online.

How are we mitigating this risk? (1)

Using a whole school progressive computing and PSHE scheme that builds online safety awareness into it.
E safety assemblies and workshops.
Staff training.
Filtering and monitoring reports.
Using the LGFL system with firewalls.
Supervision of children using technology.
Parent workshops.
Continuous curriculum review.

Risk that children might face (2)

Risk of harm through peer to peer abuse including through bullying.

How are we mitigating this risk? (2)

School vision and values
PSHE & RE curriculum with a focus on everyone is equal and valued
Behaviour policies/Multiple DSLs/Induction process (staff & volunteers)/weekly safeguarding/behaviour meeting.
Worry boxes and reporting
Assemblies schedule
Use of CPoms for behaviour and safeguarding to triangulate and catch potential issues early.

Risk that children might face (3)

Risk of harm from visitors on site (maintenance, other services etc). Increasing risk of absconding.

How are we mitigating this risk? (3)

DBS checks are taken for all adults who work directly with children.
Adults who come on site without a DBS are supervised by a member of staff at all times.
Visiting speaker policy.
Sharing safeguarding policies with anyone doing work for the school.
Ambassadors work in groups.
Visitor signing in procedure.
Entry and exit controls for the building.

Risk that children might face (4)

Risk of harm not being recognised or reported properly and promptly by staff.

How are we mitigating this risk? (4)

All staff are trained to understand our safeguarding policy and procedures.
Training is ongoing throughout the year.
Clear reporting systems in place.
Staff policies are in place for individuals who may not follow procedures.
A DSL team is in place.
Safeguarding posters are around the school with key contacts visible.

Risk that children might face (5)

Drop off and collection of children.

How are we mitigating this risk? (5)

A designated adult is assigned to gate duty at both ends of the day.
Parents and carers collect their children directly from their class cohorts or adults.
Children are only able to leave with named adults and procedures are in place in case of emergency or change.
CCTV on entrance/exit.
Written consent required for children to leave alone.

The following legislation, policies, procedures and guidance also support and inform our intention to safeguard children while they are accessing our service(s). These documents are available upon request.

Safeguarding and child protection policy
Safer recruitment policy
Staff code of conduct
Low level concerns policy
Whistleblowing policy
Behaviour including anti-bullying policy
E-Safety policy
Intimate care policy
Attendance and welfare policy
Pupil wellbeing policy
Staff wellbeing policy
Health and safety policy
Parent code of conduct
Educational Visits
Visiting speakers policy
SEND policy
Teaching and Learning policy

The final draft of this safeguarding statement has been agreed for submission by the individual with overall responsibility for the organisation. This Child Safeguarding Statement will be reviewed annually, or as soon as practicable after there has been a material change in any matter to which the statement refers.

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<https://www.thealdgateschool.org/key-information-1>