

Safeguarding at Purley Oaks Primary School

At Purley Oaks, we aim to provide a safe, supportive and inclusive environment, which secures the well-being and very best outcomes for the children in our care. We have a duty of care to safeguard and promote the well-being of children. We take this responsibility very seriously and as such, we have clear systems and procedures in place to ensure that no child should suffer from harm, at home or at school.

All staff have a statutory responsibility to safeguard and promote the welfare of children. All staff are expected to adhere to the Department for Education, London Borough of Croydon and Purley Oaks Primary School safeguarding procedures and guidance at all times.

Mrs Forde, our Assistant Headteacher Inclusion, is Designated Safeguarding Lead (DSL).

In her absence, the deputy DSLs are Mr Griffin, Miss Ellery and Mrs Beard. Mrs Baiasu is the DSL for Pops Kids our afterschool provision.

Copies of our safeguarding policy can be viewed either in the policies section of the website or obtained on request from the school office. Preventing unsuitable people from working with children and young people is essential to keeping children safe, therefore we have rigorous procedures for the selection and recruitment of staff and volunteers. They are in accordance with the Safer Recruitment practice guidelines provided by London Borough of Croydon and the DfE guidance 'Keeping children safe in education for schools and colleges', September 2025.

If you are worried about the safety or welfare of any young person at home or at school, please report your concerns to a member of staff. All staff have a responsibility for safeguarding and understand their duty to pass on concerns to the DSL.

The DSL may refer the matter to Croydon Social Care, the Police or other agencies, as all adults who come into contact with children at Purley Oaks have a duty of care to safeguard and promote their welfare.

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