



Standish Community High School

'Leading learning to be outstanding'

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Dear Parent/Carer

As part of our ongoing work to safeguard and protect every student at Standish Community High School, there are several key pieces of information that I would like to bring to your attention.

Firstly, within the policies area of our school website, you can access all of our policies and procedures, should you need to refer to them. In particular, I am obliged to draw your attention to our 'Behaviour for Learning' and 'Child Protection Policy and Safeguarding' policies which contain key information regarding our day to day work and practice in these fundamental areas of school life.

In addition, as a school, we are required to identify our Designated Safeguarding Leads (DSLs). These staff are responsible for addressing and responding to any issues that arise of a safeguarding or child protection nature in school. At Standish Community High School, our Designated Safeguarding Leads are:

1. Mr S Peters, Assistant Headteacher with responsibility for Pastoral Care
2. Mrs S Murray, Assistant Headteacher with responsibility for SEND and Inclusion
3. Mr D Morgan, Year 11 Pastoral Leader

Should you have any concerns regarding the safety of a student at school, please do not hesitate to contact one of the above named staff. In the event that these staff are unavailable, please feel free to discuss concerns with the child's head of Year in the first instance, who will be happy to advise the best course of action.

May I also ask that, should you change any contact details or information, you notify school, in writing, as soon as possible? It is imperative that we hold accurate contact details for all students, including current parent/carer mobile phone numbers, in case of emergency. Additionally, we also use a text messaging service to inform parents of key information including stranger danger alerts and guidance.

Finally, I would like to ask for your support in being vigilant and monitoring your child's online/social media activity. We are experiencing unprecedented numbers of cases, involving students at school, in receipt of suspicious or unusual online activity. We work very closely with GMP and other agencies to address issues and to educate students in the dangers and risks of befriending or communicating with people online that are unknown to the individual.

Thank you for your ongoing support.

Yours sincerely

A Pollard
Headteacher