

Safeguarding at Oakley School

Information for Nursery Parents

Welcome to Oakley School. Your child's safety and wellbeing are at the heart of everything we do. This leaflet outlines how we keep children safe and how we work in partnership with families to ensure every child feels secure, supported, and ready to learn.

What is Safeguarding?

Safeguarding means:

- Protecting children from harm
- Promoting their health and wellbeing
- Ensuring they grow up in a safe and caring environment

Who to Talk To

We have specially trained staff who lead on safeguarding:

- Designated Safeguarding Lead for our whole school (DSL): Mr Mike Few
- Deputy DSL(s): Mrs Grace Welbourne (Assistant Headteacher), Catherine Thompson (Nursery Deputy Head of Nursery), Katharine Price

You can speak to any member of staff if you have concerns, and they will direct you to the right person.

Contact: 01926 290646

Email: oakleyschool@stowevalley.com

Keeping Our School Site Safe

- The school site is secure during the day.
- All visitors must sign in and wear an ID badge.
- Children are always supervised by staff.

Collection Procedures

- Children must be collected by a named adult.
- If there is a change to who's collecting, please inform us in advance either by informing the room leader or telephoning the nursery office.
- We will not release a child to an unfamiliar person without your permission. The person collecting must use the password chosen at the point of registration and present at the nursery with personal identification.

Teaching Children to Stay Safe

Through our daily routines and curriculum (like PSHE, The Taking Care Project (Protective Behaviours Scheme) and NSPCC's PANTS rules, we teach children:

- To talk about their feelings

- Know who their safe, trusted adults are (Network Hand)
- To understand their right to feel safe
- Who to speak to if they need help

What We Look Out For

Staff are highly trained to notice signs that something might not be right, including:

- Unexplained injuries or frequent absences
- Behaviour changes
- Family difficulties or concerns

We may talk to you or seek advice from external professionals if we have concerns—always in the best interests of your child.

Working Together

We believe safeguarding works best when schools and families work closely. As a member of the public, if you are concerned about your child or another child, you also have the right to contact the Multi-Agency Safeguarding Hub (Family Connect) in Warwickshire - **01926 414144**.

Our Policies

Our full Safeguarding & Child Protection Policy is available on our school website or by request from the school office.

Website: www.oakley-school.com

Admin email address: oakleyschool@stowevalley.com

Office: 8.00 a.m. – 4.00 p.m.

A Safe Start for a Positive Future

Thank you for working with us to keep children safe, happy, and thriving. If you have any questions about our safeguarding practices, we're always here to help.

**WORRIED?
NEED TO TALK?**

School Staff
Teaching Assistant
Class Teacher
Safeguarding Team
Trusted Adult

ALL OF THESE PEOPLE ARE HERE TO HELP YOU

Safeguarding Team

YOUR SAFETY IS IMPORTANT TO US
This school is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people and expects all staff and volunteers to share this commitment.

Be the best you can be!