

## Safeguarding at St. Gerard's

All schools have a statutory duty to safeguard and promote the welfare of children. At St. Gerard's we take this responsibility very seriously.

If you have any concerns about the safety of a child or young person whilst visiting our school, please speak to a member of staff who will be able to help you. If you are unsure of what to do or who to speak to, please contact the member of staff on reception.

### Keeping Yourself and Others safe at St. Gerard's

- Please follow all the visitor procedures that we ask of you as a visitor as outlined when you sign in.
- Please report anything that concerns you whilst in the school in relation to any aspect of safety.
- We expect all members of the community to speak to each other respectfully and to be considerate of the needs of others. If you experience or witness a lack of respect during your visit, please let a member of staff know.
- In most cases you should not be left in a situation where you are alone with pupils unaccompanied. Please let a member of staff know should this happen.
- Please note that mobile phones are to be used away from children. Lockers are available in the staff room for personal use.
- Taking photos of pupils without consent is strictly forbidden.

There is a team in school who have advanced training in safeguarding and you will see their photographs in the entrance. Please feel free to approach them with any concerns you may have.

### St. Gerard's Safeguarding Team



Mrs J. Coe  
Designated Safeguarding Lead



Mrs K. Parkinson  
Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead



Mr M. Macaulay  
Deputy Safeguarding Lead



Miss R. Hogarth  
Designated Safeguarding Lead  
SENCO

If, when you leave the school you wish to talk to someone about something you have seen that has concerned you, please contact us and your concern will be passed on to the appropriate member of staff.

**Please see the school website for a copy of the Safeguarding Policy and Procedures.**

# USEFUL CONTACTS

## South Tees Safeguarding Children Partnership

South Tees Safeguarding Children Partnership (STSCP) is a multi-agency partnership between Middlesbrough Council, Redcar & Cleveland Council, Tees Valley Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG), and Cleveland Police. It aims to support and enable local organisations and agencies to work together in a system which places the child at the heart of the process, with a key focus on both improving practice, and enhancing outcomes for children and their families.

**Website:** <https://stscp.co.uk/> **Email:** [stscp@middlesbrough.gov.uk](mailto:stscp@middlesbrough.gov.uk)

## Children's Services

If you're worried that a child is currently suffering, or is likely to suffer from, significant harm you need to take action immediately.

Call Middlesbrough Multi Agency Children's Hub (MACH) First Contact Team on **01642 726004**

**Out of Hours Contact Number:** 01642 524552

**Email:** [MiddlesbroughMACH@middlesbrough.gov.uk](mailto:MiddlesbroughMACH@middlesbrough.gov.uk).

**In an emergency call 999**

## Channel/Prevent

**Channel provides support across the country to those who may be vulnerable to being drawn into terrorism.**

If you're concerned about someone in your community please contact your local police force by dialling 101 or if you require urgent police assistance dial 999.

**The national police Prevent advice line** - 0800 011 3764

**If you see or hear something that could be terrorist related call the police Hotline on:** 0800 789 321

**For more information visit:**

[www.middlesbrough.gov.uk/community-support-and-safety/prevent](http://www.middlesbrough.gov.uk/community-support-and-safety/prevent)

# St. Gerard's Catholic Primary School



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## ST. GERARD'S GUIDE TO SAFEGUARDING



This school is committed to keeping our students and staff safe. This leaflet aims to provide guidance to support you in assisting us with this aim.