Eaton House Schools

Child Protection and Safeguarding Statement

"Eaton House Schools is committed to safeguarding and promoting the well-being of children and expects all staff and volunteers to share this commitment."

GENERAL

The Eaton House Schools Child Protection and Safeguarding Policy applies to all pupils at Eaton House Schools, including its pupils in the Early Years Foundation Stage. The policy is available on the school website www.eatonhouseschools.com

The aims, in summary, are:

- To provide all pupils with the best possible start in life, ensuring that every child makes excellent progress and no child is left behind;
- to provide a secure foundation through learning and development opportunities which are planned around the needs and interest of each child, and regularly reviewed and assessed;
- To strengthen a working partnership between practitioners and carers; and
- To provide equality of opportunity, and to ensure that every child is included, be maintaining a secure, safe and happy setting in which pupils can make the most of their abilities as they grow up.

SPECIFICS

- All staff who work in in the school including the EYFS receive copies of the Eaton House Schools Child Protection and Safeguarding Policy and the Early Years Foundation Stage Policy as part of their induction.
- To ensure staff are aware of the Prevent Strategy and able to protect children and young people who are vulnerable or at risk of being radicalised
- All staff who work in Early Years Foundation Stage undergo an induction procedure which
 includes reference to the importance of child protection and outlines those with designated
 responsibility and procedural issues.
- All staff are trained to enable them to identify signs of possible abuse and neglect at the earliest opportunity and respond in a timely and appropriate way.
- The School's policy with regard to mobile phones and cameras in the setting is that no images of Eaton House Schools children should be on personal devices (e.g. cameras, mobile phones, etc.), nor should any similar devices be used to capture such images.
- Should the School have concerns about children's safety and welfare, it will, without delay, notify the local children's social care services and, in emergencies, the police;
- The School will inform the relevant authorities of any allegations of serious harm or abuse by any person living, working or looking after children at the premises (whether the allegations relate to harm or abuse committed on the premises or elsewhere), and notify them of any action taken in respect of the allegations.