



What is safeguarding about?

At St Mary's Catholic Primary School, all of the adults around you think that your health, safety and welfare are very important. In our school we respect our children and want to keep you safe and help to protect your rights. We do our best to help you to make good progress in your schoolwork and to be happy. We teach you how to recognise risks in different situations and how to protect yourselves and stay safe.

If you need to talk – we will listen!

You can talk to any adult in school. Just tell the member of staff that you are worried about something and they will make time to talk to you.

Tell a friend and then go with your friend to tell an adult.

It is Mrs Preston and Mrs McGrath's special job to keep you safe - talk to them if you are worried.

What is bullying?

"Bullying is when someone says unkind things or won't play with you over and over again."

"Bullying is when somebody hurts you on purpose".

"Bullying includes actions such as making threats, spreading rumours, attacking someone physically or verbally, and leaving someone out from a group on purpose".

How will we try to protect you?

We will LISTEN!

We think it is important for you to know where to get help if you are worried or unhappy about something.

We will provide a safe environment for you to learn in.

We want to ensure that you remain safe, at home as well as at school.

Our school defines bullying to be repetitive, hurtful, and intentional and involves an imbalance of power.

Touching you

Taking your things.

Bullying you

Hitting you or hurting you.

Don't keep it a secret if someone

Trying to give you tablets, cigarettes, drugs or alcohol.

Sending unkind messages on the internet or to your phone.

Saying things to you that you do not like or which upsets you.