

Ely St John's Primary School Role Description: Safeguarding Link Governor

May 2023

1. Purpose

The Safeguarding Link Governor(s) has responsibility for maintaining oversight of the safeguarding arrangements at Ely St John's to ensure that the school is a safe environment for pupils through robust safeguarding practices.

2. Specific Duties

- a. Work with the Designated Safeguarding Lead(s) (DSL) to:
 - Build an effective relationship that allows for appropriate support and challenge
 - Understand the school's safeguarding strengths and areas for development
 - Monitor progress on any safeguarding priorities and report back to the Governing Body to facilitate scrutiny of safeguarding
 - Ensure that there is a consistent approach to safeguarding and child protection across the school
 - Obtain assurance that the Single Central Record is up to date
- b. Understand how Safeguarding works in practice by:
 - Reading and understanding Keeping Children Safe in Education (KCSIE), the DFE's statutory safeguarding guidance (this is a requirement for all governors)
 - Building a knowledge and understanding of the school safeguarding policies and procedures and ensuring that these are effective, regularly reviewed and updated
 - Observing, through arranged visits, how the culture of safeguarding is working within the school
 - Understanding how safeguarding is built into the curriculum and how pupils are taught (and understand) about being safe
 - Using any safeguarding audits (undertaken internally or externally) to ascertain how robust safeguarding procedures and systems are
 - Using data, supplied by the DSL within safeguarding reports, to spot trends and develop further discussion
 - Regularly undertaking training and refresh knowledge to be in line with the latest government guidance

3. Related Links

Keeping Children Safe in Education (KCSiE) 2022