

Keeping our children and families safe and happy in our community



Newdale's Safeguarding priority is to ensure that our school community is a place where everyone feels they **belong** and that they feel **safe**.

We **all** have a responsibility to keep our children safe: in school and at home. **Everyone** who comes into contact with children and families has a role to play. It is important that we all know what to look out for, know why children can be vulnerable and how they can be manipulated into harmful situations and exploited.

We know that reading information about safeguarding can sometimes be an uncomfortable read, but it is vital that we all know of the ways we can keep our children safe and how to act should there be any concerns. This short guide shares some information about **contextualised safeguarding** (within our community), signs to look out for and pathways for support and reporting.

Contextual safeguarding recognises that the different relationships that young people form in their neighbourhoods, schools and online can unfortunately feature violence and abuse. It is our responsibility to ensure that we are protecting children within our community from harm.

Our local area:

Sadly, there are different safeguarding concerns within our local area (child sexual exploitation, child criminal exploitation, slavery/trafficking, extremism and radicalisation (far right: EDL and For Britain Movement and Islamic State and Al 'Qaeda)). We have included links for you to find out more about these if you need to seek further support.



We highly recommend that parents and carers join a free one-and-a-half-hour online workshop for parents:

For more information, please visit these links:

Child Sexual Exploitation:

<https://www.westmercia.police.uk/advice/advice-and-information/caa/child-abuse/child-sexual-exploitation/>

[Protecting children from sexual exploitation | NSPCC Learning](#)

Child Criminal Exploitation:

<https://www.westmercia.police.uk/advice/advice-and-information/caa/child-abuse/child-criminal-exploitation/>

County Lines and 'Cuckooing':

<https://www.westmercia.police.uk/advice/advice-and-information/cl/county-lines/>

<https://www.westmercia.police.uk/police-forces/west-mercia-police/areas/west-mercia/campaigns/campaigns/2024/exploitation-and-vulnerability-workshops>

Modern Day Slavery:
<https://www.westmercia.police.uk/advice/advice-and-information/ms/modern-slavery/>

Local child sexual exploitation support:

<https://www.newdaleschool.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2023/09/Child-Sexual-Exploitation-A-Guide-for-parents-and-carers-2022-leaflet.pdf>

https://www.telford.gov.uk/info/20439/child_sexual_exploitation_cse

Information and support on extremism and radicalisation:

[ACT Early | Prevent radicalisation](#)

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If you are worried or concerned about anyone under 18, who you think is experiencing significant harm, please contact Family Connect on 01952 385385 between 9am & 5pm or if during out of office hours, please call the Emergency Duty Team on 01952 676500.