

## **Safeguarding at Blackford CE Primary School**

Blackford CE Primary School is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people and expects all staff, volunteers and visitors to share this commitment. Safeguarding children is **EVERYBODY'S** responsibility.

### **What can you expect from us?**

- We will provide a safe environment in which your child can thrive.
- We will educate your child on how to stay safe, including staying safe online.
- We will listen to your child and act upon any concerns.
- We will contact you if your child is absent and you have not contacted us, to ensure everyone is safe and well.
- We will respond promptly to any problems or concerns you tell us about.
- We will offer support and advice when needed.

### **Our Safeguarding Team:**

#### **Designated Safeguarding Lead (DSL):**

Mrs Lindsey Slater - Headteacher  
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#### **Deputy Designated Safeguarding Leads (DDSLs):**

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## **Safeguarding Governor:**

Mrs Dorothea MacKay

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## **Early Help**

Early help, also known as early intervention, is support given to a child or family when a problem first emerges, to help stop issues from escalating. It can be provided at any stage in a child or young person's life. We work in partnership with parents, carers, families and external agencies to keep children safe.

If you require any support or further information, please speak to our Senco, Mrs Selina Noble or the Designated Safeguarding Leads for further information and support.

If you have any concerns about the safety and well-being of a child, you must report them either to school or to the Cumberland Safeguarding Hub on 0333 240 1727.