



## **SAFEGUARDING - STRIVING TOWARDS EXCELLENCE TOGETHER**

Safeguarding in Xavier Catholic Education Trust is underpinned by our aim; to provide the children in our care with the best possible education within a caring and supportive Catholic ethos, and our mission statement; striving towards excellence together.

Xavier Catholic Education Trust is totally committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of all children and we expect all staff, volunteers and visitors to share this commitment.

We understand our legal duties as per the Children Act (1989 & 2004); Education Act (2002) Section 175 and 157; Keeping Children Safe in Education (September 2019); and Working Together to Safeguard Children (July 2018).

We seek to provide a safe and happy environment where all children flourish, where all children are confident they will be listened to, where diversity is celebrated and the gift of life cherished.

Xavier Catholic Education Trust's Safeguarding Lead is Anne Halliday; if you would like to contact Anne directly please email: [a.halliday@xaviercet.org.uk](mailto:a.halliday@xaviercet.org.uk)

Xavier Catholic Education Trust's CEO is Ani Magill and can be contacted by email: [a.magill@xaviercet.org.uk](mailto:a.magill@xaviercet.org.uk)

Xavier Catholic Education Trust's Director with responsibility for Safeguarding is Maria Dineen and can be contacted by email: [m.dineen@xaviercet.org.uk](mailto:m.dineen@xaviercet.org.uk)

Our Local Governing Bodies are updated termly about safeguarding policies and practices by the schools' Headteachers.

Xavier Catholic Education Trust's Safeguarding Lead provides a termly and annual report on safeguarding policies and practices to the Board of Directors.

We have a number of policies and procedures in place that contribute to our safeguarding commitment, including our model Safeguarding Policy (please click the link below) or a hard copy can be provided upon request. Each school has its own Safeguarding Policy, based on the model policy, reflecting the individual context of each school.

Xavier Safeguarding and Child Protection Policy - [link to policy](#)

If you have concerns regarding a child's welfare please contact the Xavier Catholic Education Trust's Safeguarding Lead on 07845118843.

## Useful Links



ChildLine: [www.childline.org.uk](http://www.childline.org.uk)

The Childline helpline is 0800 1111. Childline is free and you can call from your mobile phone even if you have no credit. Children can chat with a Childline Counsellor using the following link: <https://www.childline.org.uk/get-support/1-2-1-counsellor-chat>

The Childline website provides information and advice on a wide range of issues including bullying, mental health, substance misuse, friends and relationships and online and offline safety. Advice includes using social media, cyberbullying, online grooming, taking care of your digital footprint and mobile phone safety.

You can support your child to report and block people online who may have tried to contact them or have sent nasty or inappropriate messages or content. A child, parent or carer can report specific concerns online using either of the links below:



<https://reportharmfulcontent.com/>



<https://ceop.police.uk/safty-centre/>

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