

Child Friendly Version of our Safeguarding Policy

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At Walter Halls Primary and Early Years School we take safety very seriously –as why we are writing this child-friendly less-boring safe-guarding policy.

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Our school has a safeguarding policy for staff, families and governors.

The inclusion Ambassadors, Head and deputy boy and girl met to write our own.

This child friendly policy is designed for you. We have shared who you can talk to if you feel unsafe in school or who to go to if you need someone to talk. We also felt it was important to share other places of help which are also in the guide.

We discussed that there are times when you want to talk to someone in school about a problem or worry that might be upsetting you. There are posters around school who have the names of people that you can talk to, you can also always speak to teachers, TAS and dinner staff.



The Head and Deputy boy and girl and Inclusion Ambassadors where asked questions about:

*Things that make us feel safe and unsafe *who we can talk to when we do not feel safe

*Attendance *Play times *School meals

Below are some direct quotes taken from our discussions.

Q What makes you feel safe at School?

"Being around people that I trust, teachers, and friends"

"Knowing nothing bad is going to happen to you or me".

"Knowing I can talk to people about my worries"

"Lots of teachers to help us"

"Time to talk, I know Mrs Chandler is here to listen"

"I feel safe in my classroom, with my friends and I know my teacher is always there".

"Teachers wear green lanyards, so we know this is an adult we can trust"

"Mid days and play leaders are there to help if you have not got anyone to play with"

"I know we have smoke alarms and fire practices so we can keep safe in case of a fire"

Q Who can you talk to if you feel unsafe or worried?

"Teachers, Miss Glover, Miss Beardah, Jodie and Miss Chandler"

"Middays and Teachers and Teaching assistants"

"Friends, Head teacher, Mrs Glover, Mrs Chandler, Mr Starling".

"Mostly I will talk to my class teacher but if it's something serious I will probably go to Mrs Glover or Mrs Beardah".

"There are lots of people to talk to, the teachers are always there to help, and that's their job".

Q Is attendance important?

"Yes, so you don't miss lessons and if you do miss lessons you will fall behind"

"It's important so you can learn"

"So you talk to people and learn and to be educated"

"Yes so can get to know people and thrive in a nice, happy and safe environment"

"Spending time with your friends"

"Yes because you might miss out on something"

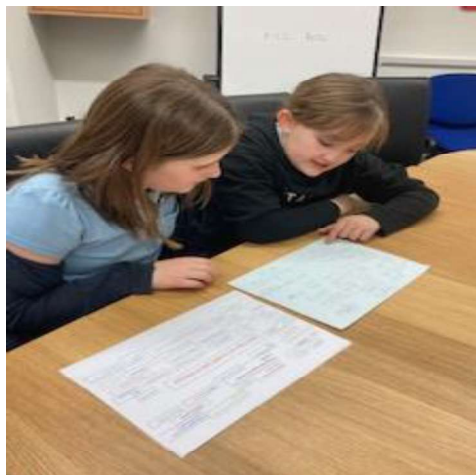
"It might stop you class from getting the attendance award"

"Your friend might miss you and have no one to play with"

Head and Deputy Persons 2023 created this:



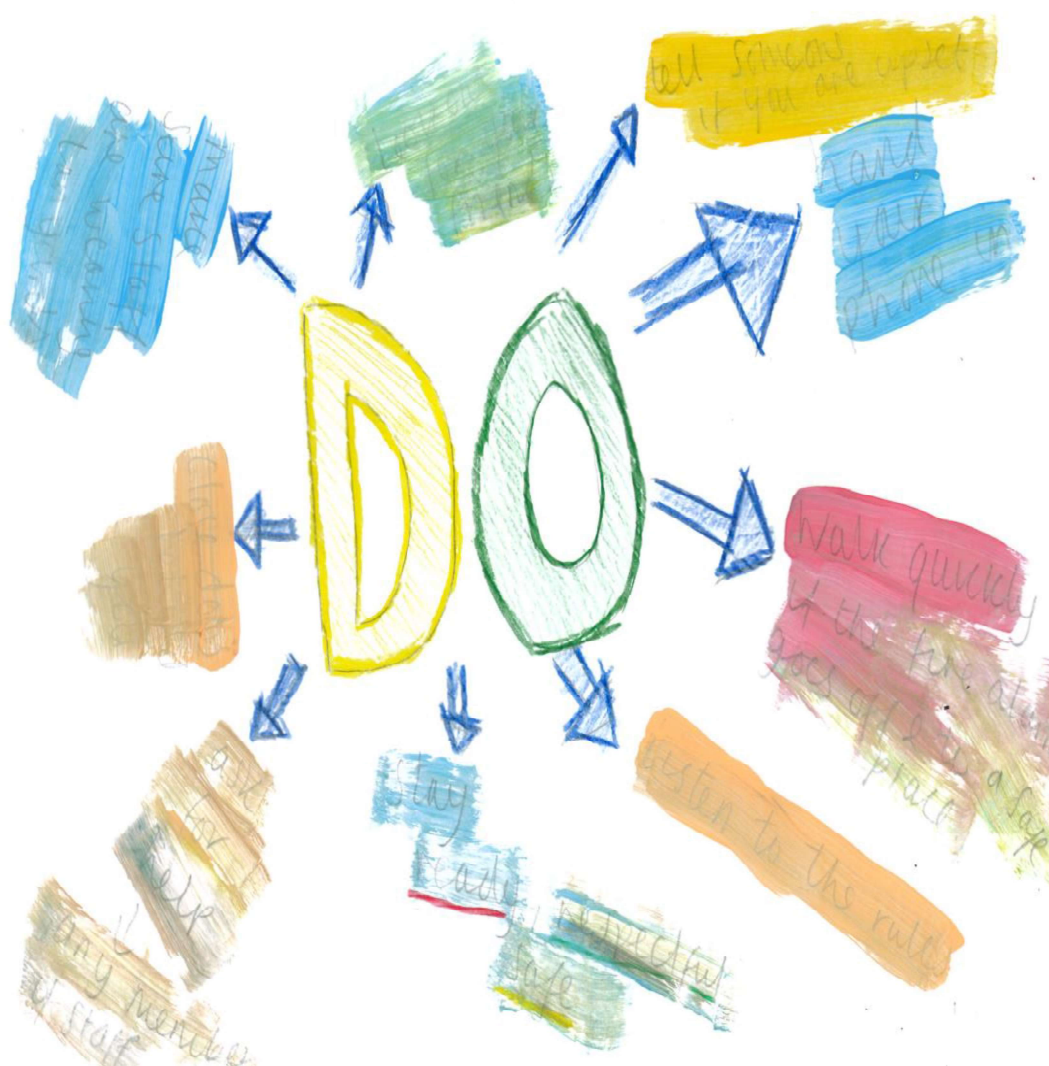
They found a similar document created by another school. First they collaborated ideas about our own school, then typed it up.



Lana and Imogen making sure the safeguarding policy is brighter and more appealing to children.



Pictures Created by Inclusion Ambassadors 2022:





Other places to go for help



Further thoughts...

For online support you could go online and google Kooth.

There are ways to let your teacher know if you have a worry. We have a worry wallet but some classes have worry boxes.

If you feel alone, worried or sad, please tell a friend or adult you trust.

Every year Walter Halls takes part in Anti Bullying week. It's a time to think about when you might need to talk to an adult and to remember you are never alone.

At Walter halls there is always an adult you can go to if you need help.