

***“There can be no issue of greater importance to parents and carers, or to schools, than the safety of their children; safeguarding remains high on Ofsted’s agenda and will continue to do so.” Ofsted Safeguarding Schools: best practice.***

This is echoed in your views about Safeguarding:

“Provide a safe and happy learning environment for my child.”

“Dealing with and acting upon issues raised with the school in a prompt, informative and helpful manner.”

“Keeps good standard of discipline - children feel safe at school.”

Quotes take from comments on the latest Parental Questionnaire

Safeguarding information can also be accessed on [www.cumbrialscb.com](http://www.cumbrialscb.com)



**Safeguarding is everyone’s responsibility.**

**The single contact number for Cumbria Safeguarding Hub should you have any concerns (day or night) is: 0333 240 1727**



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# **SAFEGUARDING ALL**



# **CHILDREN IN OUR SCHOOL**

An information leaflet for Visitors/  
Parents and Carers.

The Nelson Thomlinson School recognises the importance it gives to all pupils' welfare and Safeguarding.

The purpose of this good practice leaflet is to share with you our excellent safeguarding practice and the responsibility we have to Safeguard all NTS pupils.

- We work to establish and maintain an ethos where children feel secure and will be listened to in an open positive atmosphere. This includes activities within the Curriculum: PSHRE, SEAL, 2T-Tutoring and Peer mentoring in school; e.g. School Council.
- We ensure the children know that they can approach any member of staff if they are worried or in difficulty.
- We actively seek the views of children, listening to them and involving them in decisions about their education.
- We will make any referrals necessary to ensure the well being of all children is safeguarded.

***“No single professional can have a full picture of a child’s need and circumstances and, if children and families are to receive the right help at the right time, everyone who comes into contact with them has a role to play in identifying concerns, sharing information and taking prompt action.”(Working Together to Safeguard Children, HM Government 2018)***

## Roles and Responsibilities

Staff in school are in a good position to keep a watchful eye on children and their safety and to protect them from harm. If staff have concerns they have a duty to inform **a member of the Safeguarding Team.**

## The Role of the Governing Body

Safeguarding children is a ‘collective responsibility’ for the whole of the Governing Body. Every school should have a Nominated Governor for Safeguarding; Child Protection. In NTS this is Mrs C Bell. They can be contacted by emailing the Clerk to the Governors:  
[dritchmond@nts.cumbria.sch.uk](mailto:dritchmond@nts.cumbria.sch.uk)

If we feel a child is in need or in danger we are committed to sharing the relevant information in line with Working Together to Safeguard Children, HM Government 2018.

Our full and comprehensive policy for Safeguarding; Child Protection can be referenced on the website.

## NTS Safeguarding Team

### Designated Safeguarding Lead (Safeguarding Level 3)

Mrs Marie Banks – Deputy Head/Modern Languages

### Deputy Safeguarding Leads (Safeguarding Level 3)

Mrs Rachel Twedde – SENCo/Learning Support

Mrs Nichola Postlethwaite – School Nurse

Mrs Gill Foster – Head of Year 7/Modern Languages

Additionally, all Pastoral team staff have Level 2 or 3 Safeguarding training.

The Nelson Thomlinson School works with Operation Encompass, a scheme in which schools are informed the next day or within 24 hours when a pupil has been involved in or exposed to an incident of Domestic Abuse. For more information:

[www.operationencompass.org](http://www.operationencompass.org)