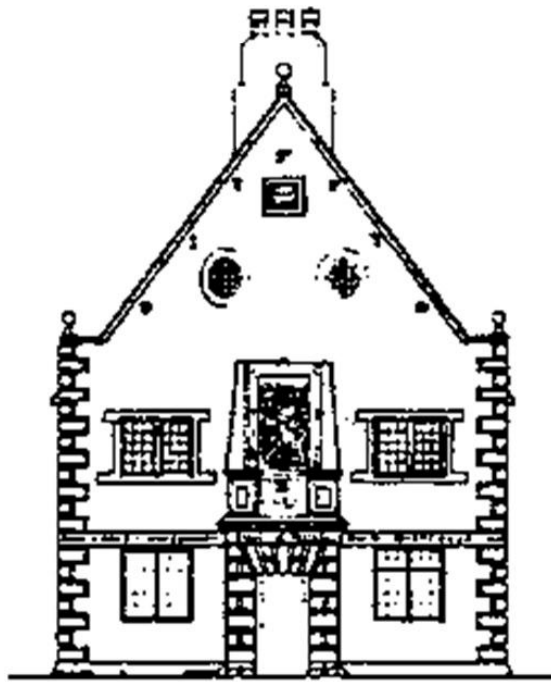


# **BUNNY C OF E PRIMARY & NURSERY SCHOOL**



## **Our Child-Friendly Child Protection Policy**

2026–2027

# ***“Do everything in love.” – 1 Corinthians 16:14***

## **Our promise to every child**

At Bunny School, every child is unique and valuable. We want everyone to feel safe, respected, listened to and supported so that they can flourish and thrive.

**If something is worrying you, you can always tell us. You will never be in trouble for asking for help.**

## **1. What does “safeguarding” mean?**

Safeguarding means all the things adults at school do to help keep children safe and well. It is everyone’s job at Bunny School.

- We make school a safe, caring and welcoming place.
- We listen when children have worries or concerns.
- We take worries seriously and act to help.
- We teach you how to stay safe, including when using phones, games and the internet.
- We help children who need extra support.
- We work with parents, carers and other adults and services when this will help keep a child safe.

## **2. What kinds of things can you talk to us about?**

You can tell us about anything that makes you feel worried, frightened, uncomfortable or unsafe. For example:

- Someone hurting you or making you feel unsafe.
- Bullying, unkind behaviour, harassment or discrimination.
- Something another child has done that worries you.
- Something an adult has done or said that does not feel right.
- Worries about things happening at home or in your family.
- Something that has happened in the community or somewhere outside school.
- Something worrying that has happened online, in a game, on an app or on a phone.
- Feeling very unhappy, overwhelmed or worried about yourself or someone else.

## **Remember**

You do not need to be sure that something is “serious enough”. If you are worried, tell an adult. It is always OK to ask for help.

### 3. Who can I tell?

You can talk to any adult in school that you trust. This might be your teacher, a teaching assistant, Mrs White, Mrs Taplin, another member of staff or another adult who helps in school.

#### You can also use our worry boxes

There are worry boxes in our classrooms. You can use them to let an adult know that you have a worry. If you put something in a worry box, an adult will make sure it is noticed and followed up.

### 4. What if I don't know how to explain my worry?

- You do not need to have the perfect words.
- You can start with: “I need to tell you something” or “I have a worry.”
- You can write it down or use a worry box if talking feels difficult.
- You can ask someone you trust to help you tell another adult.
- If the first person you tell cannot help straight away, tell another adult. Keep telling until someone helps you.

### 5. What happens when I tell an adult?

- They will listen carefully and take you seriously.
- They may ask a few questions so they can understand what you mean. You do not have to keep repeating your story.
- They will think about what help you need and what will keep you safe.
- They may need to tell another adult whose job it is to help keep children safe.
- We will share information carefully and only with people who need to know to help keep you safe.
- We will keep supporting you and check that you are OK.

#### A note about secrets

We will respect your privacy, but we cannot promise to keep a safeguarding worry secret. If we think you or another child may not be safe, we must tell the adults who can help.

## 6. Staying safe online

Being safe is important online as well as in school. We teach you about online safety through computing, PSHE, assemblies and other activities.

- Tell an adult if something online makes you worried, upset or uncomfortable.
- Be careful about sharing personal information, photographs or passwords.
- Treat people online with the same respect you would show them face-to-face.
- Tell an adult if someone online is trying to trick, pressure, threaten or manipulate you.
- If you see something harmful or inappropriate, do not feel that you have to deal with it by yourself.
- Ask for help if you are worried about messages, games, social media, videos, images or anything else online.

## 7. Being safe with other children

Children can sometimes hurt, frighten or upset other children. This can happen through bullying, unkind behaviour, harassment, harmful sexual behaviour or online communication.

- Everyone has the right to feel safe and respected.
- If another child does something that makes you uncomfortable or unsafe, tell an adult.
- If you see something happening to someone else, tell an adult too.
- You will be listened to and supported if you report a concern.
- You are not responsible for someone else's harmful behaviour.

## 8. Your voice matters

Adults will listen to your wishes and feelings. We want children to have a say in making our school safe. You can share your ideas through trusted adults, school council, wellbeing opportunities, feedback and other ways we provide.

## 9. Our Bunny School values help us keep each other safe

| COURAGE                           | HONESTY                          | ASPIRATION                           | PEACE                           | LOVE                          | RESPECT                                |
|-----------------------------------|----------------------------------|--------------------------------------|---------------------------------|-------------------------------|----------------------------------------|
| Speak up when something is wrong. | Tell the truth and ask for help. | Help everyone reach their potential. | Help make school calm and safe. | Care for yourself and others. | Treat everyone as unique and valuable. |

## 10. Who are our safeguarding adults?

| Adult                                                   | How they can help                                                                          |
|---------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Mrs Victoria White – Designated Safeguarding Lead (DSL) | Leads safeguarding in our school and makes sure worries are followed up.                   |
| Mrs Claire Taplin – Deputy DSL                          | Can help with safeguarding concerns and can support you when the DSL is unavailable.       |
| Any trusted adult in school                             | You can tell any adult you trust. They will make sure your worry gets to the right person. |

### You can always start with someone you trust

If you are worried about yourself or someone else, please tell us. You can talk, write it down, use a worry box, or ask someone to help you tell an adult.

## 11. People outside school who can help

If you want to talk to someone outside school, you can also contact:

- Childline – for children and young people who want someone to talk to.
- NSPCC – for help and advice about keeping children safe.

**If you are worried, tell someone. You do not have to deal with it alone.** 

*This child-friendly version is based on Bunny C of E Primary and Nursery School's Whole School Child Protection Policy, September 2026.*