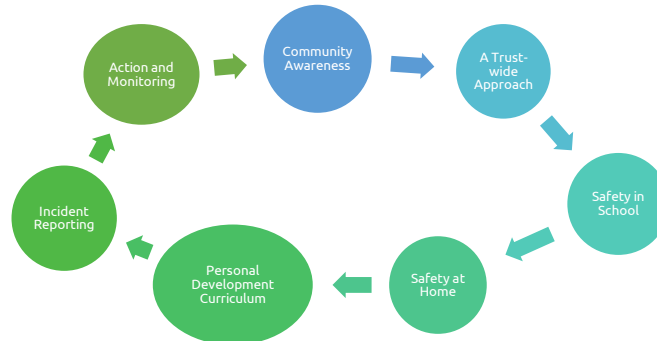


Whole School Online Safety Strategy

Key Definitions

Online safety refers to the act of staying safe online. It is also commonly known as internet safety, e-safety and cyber safety. It encompasses all technological devices which have access to the internet from PCs and laptops to smartphones and tablets.

Strategy



Safety in School

Mobile Phones

Pupils and parents are strongly advised to not bring mobile phones to school as part of the Home/School Agreement. If parents and pupils choose to bring their mobile phone to school, pupils must keep their mobile phone switched off and in their bag. Mobile phones are confiscated by staff if seen, and pupils can collect these at the end of the day from their Care & Achievement Coordinator. Repeated incidents may lead to the phone being confiscated and parents will need to collect on behalf of their child.

Use of mobile phones in lessons

As part of the annual safeguarding training, staff are instructed to not encourage the use of mobile phones as part of their lesson planning i.e. as a calculators, for photographing or recording experiments or projects etc.

School Firewall

The school IT Firewall software SENSO prevents pupils and staff from accessing prohibited websites whilst in school. SENSO identifies trigger words, acronyms and phrases that are updated daily and 'flags' these for more detailed investigation and analysis. Pupils will be spoken with and an appropriate intervention and/or sanction issued. Repeated serious breaches may be reported to the police and/or external agencies. Pupils may be removed from the school system for serious breaches.

Expectations around use of internet/technology in school

- Online Safety and responsible internet/social media use is part of the Home/School Agreement
- Mobile phones not permitted to be used during the school day
- A robust fire-wall software that blocks and reports issues to be followed up
- Staff training as part of Safeguarding training in September, with updates and reminders each term
- Regular reminders about Online Safety in weekly Staff Bulletins

Advice for pupils

- Regular Online Safety reminder assemblies
- Reminders in Pupil Briefings and Head of School assemblies
- Information and advice on Pupil Homepage
- Online Safety advice and training in Personal Development curriculum and Computer Science

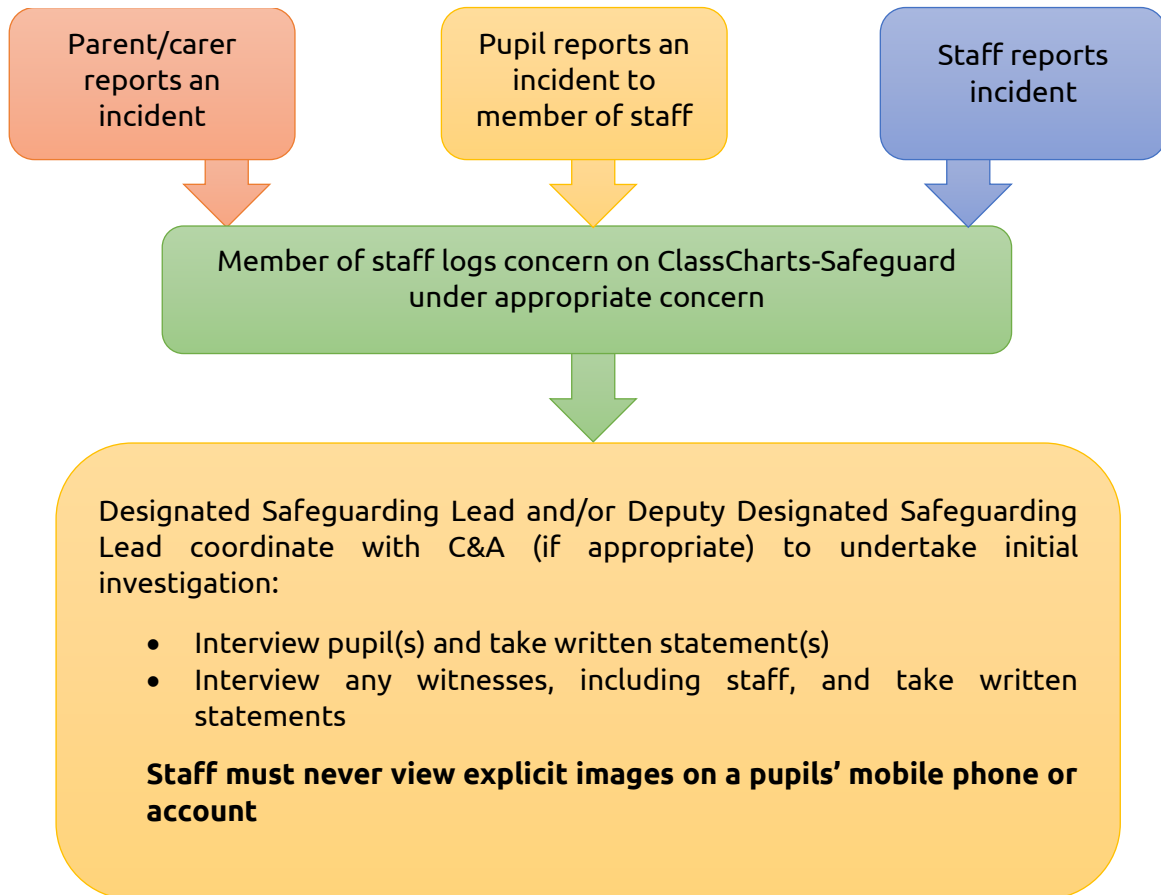
Advice for parents, particularly around social media accounts

Online safety advice for pupils on the Pupil Homepage

Regular Online Safety advice for pupils and parents in School Newsletter

Information for pupils and parents on school website

Incident Reporting



Action and Monitoring

