


## Moss Side Primary School – Covid-19 Addendum to School Safeguarding Policy

KEY AREA	CONTENT
Maintaining links with safeguarding partners	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The school will check briefings from the DfE, Lancashire County Council and local Safeguarding Advisers in LCC and MASH</li> </ul>
Referrals to CSC and LADO	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>LADO Services are operating during the pandemic, using Skype as necessary and so any concerns about harm to children are subject to consultation with LADO as in normal operating.</li> <li>CSC can be contacted on 0300 123 6720 (no hot-line services) and <a href="mailto:cypreferrals@lancashire.gov.uk">cypreferrals@lancashire.gov.uk</a></li> <li>The Schools Safeguarding Advice Line and MASH Education Officers are still available and will be used for advice about threshold and wider safeguarding concerns.</li> </ul>
Designated Safeguarding Lead	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A trained DSL is always available on site.</li> <li>In the unlikely event that no DSL is available (either in school or at home) – staff can seek further guidance from the County Safeguarding advice line 01772 531196</li> <li>We will make arrangements to ensure that all staff, including any adults who are not familiar with the setting, know who to speak to if they have concerns about a child.</li> <li>We will have arrangements to ensure that all adults on school site understand the schools commitment to acting immediately in response to any safeguarding concerns</li> </ul>
Supporting Vulnerable Children (allocated to a social worker)	<p>The school’s family support worker will maintain the school’s contribution to multi agency safeguarding and support for looked after children (CLA), Children In Need and children subject to Child Protection plans.</p> <p>Meetings between SLT and family support worker (FSW) prior to school closure have ensured that school has identified by name which children</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>are vulnerable or should be in school - including how to contact them. School has up-to-date contact details.</li> <li>have SWs and how to contact the SW – school will agree interim safeguarding plans with the SW.</li> <li>are looked after / becoming looked after and has the contact arrangements for the VHT.</li> </ul>
Supporting potentially Vulnerable Children (not allocated to a social worker)	<p>Discussions between SLT and FSW at the start of school closure have ensured that school</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>has identified by name which children are vulnerable but do not have a formal Child in Need Plan / allocated social worker (single agency or CAF/TAF support)</li> <li>will maintain contact / support through texts and phone calls from FSW thereby identifying any concerns in such families (Lancashire Children's Social Care have developed an interim risk assessment template which could be adapted for use –</li> </ul> <div style="text-align: center;">  <p>Appendix 1 to Risk Assessment Guidance</p> </div> <p>NB. The SLT and family support worker will continue to communicate with each other in order to identify any other pupils who may become vulnerable as this closure continues, based on the information available to them.</p>

Peer on peer abuse	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Staff on duty in school will follow the school's safeguarding procedure to prevent and respond to any concerns related to peer on peer abuse</li> <li>• As only our own pupils and staff will be in the building during the closure, no additional arrangements have been put in place re concerns related to peer on peer abuse ( i.e. between children who do not ordinarily attend the school or are being looked after by adults who do not know them well)</li> </ul>
Online Safeguarding	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Parents have been signposted to free online safety resources and activities provided by CEOP</li> <li>• FSW is available by phone/text for support</li> <li>• School staff are available to give over the phone support (during the school day), via ClassDojo messaging or via e-mail (home learning support)</li> </ul>
Children with specific health needs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• As only our own pupils and staff will be in the building during the closure, no additional arrangements have been necessary to ensure that those staff caring for them have the information needed to meet children's health needs (allergies, asthma, epilepsy...etc)</li> </ul>
Safer Recruitment & use of Volunteers	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• All staff in school are fully up to date with safeguarding training.</li> <li>• All staff in school are fully aware of the staff code of conduct.</li> <li>• Volunteers are not being used to deliver emergency childcare in school.</li> </ul>
Operation Encompass	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Should the DSL receive an Operation Encompass notification in respect of a child who is not attending school they would follow the normal procedures, including speaking to parents and seeking advice from MASH / Schools Safeguarding Officer.</li> </ul>

Named person responsible for ensuring staff are aware of the above.

DSL NAME: Andrew Wright

DATE: 13-1-21

Named governor aware of the school's interim arrangements

GOVERNOR NAME: Simon Whittaker (Chair and Safeguarding)

DATE: 13-1-21