### How a Parent can make a complaint.

I have a concern about my/a child's safety

I can talk to the class teacher

If I am still concerned, I can talk to the Designated Teacher for child protection

Mrs H. Irvine or the Deputy

Designated teachers

Mrs Laura Spence or

Mrs A. Sawyers (Principal).

If I am still concerned, I can talk/
write to the
Board of Governors,
( Rev Ollie Downey /
Mrs Rachel Montgomery )

At any time a parent can talk to a social worker at the

Gateway Team **Tel: 0800 7837745**or the

PSNI Public Protection Unit **Tel: 0845 600 80000** 

If in doubt remember it is better to do something than nothing.

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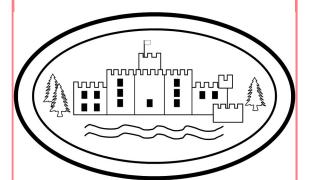


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### AUGHER CENTRAL PRIMARY SCHOOL

## **Augher Central Child Protection**



We in Augher Central Primary School have a responsibility for the Pastoral Care, general welfare and safety of the children in our care and we will carry out this duty by providing a caring, supportive and safe environment, where each child is valued for his or her unique

talents and abilities, and in which all our young people can learn and develop to their full potential.

A full copy of our Child Protection

Policy can be found on our School

Website.

www.augherprimary.co.uk
Telephone-028 855 48 443

The following principles form the basis of our Child Protection Policy.

- It is a child's right to feel safe at all times, to be heard, listened to and taken seriously.
- We have a pastoral responsibility towards the children in our care and should take all reasonable steps to ensure their welfare is safeguarded and their safety is preserved.
- In any incident the child's welfare must be paramount, this overrides all other considerations.
- A proper balance must be struck between protecting children and respecting the rights and needs of parents and families; but where there is conflict the child's interest must always come first.

#### If you have a concern

At Augher Central we aim to work closely with the parents/guardians in supporting all aspects of the child's development and well-being. Any concerns a parent may have will be taken seriously and dealt with in a professional manner. If a parent has a concern they can talk to the class teacher or the Principal/Designated teachers for child protection. If they are still concerned they may talk to the Chair of the Board of Governors.

At any time a parent may talk to a social worker in the local Gateway team or to the PSNI Public Protection Unit.

All useful numbers are on the back page.

#### Meet the team.

The following are members of the schools Safeguarding Team.

Designated Teacher - Mrs. H Irvine



Deputy Designated Teacher – Mrs. L Spence



Deputy Designated Teacher / Principal – Mrs. A Sawyers



Designated Governor for Child Protection – Mrs. Rachel Montgomery



Chair of the Board of Governors Rev Olivia Downey



All school staff at Augher Central are updated with the Child Protection Regulations annually. Also throughout the school the children take part in various initiatives which child protection and other safety issues—such as

- Firework safety talks from PSNI & NI Fire & Rescue Service
- Primary 6 & 7 'Bee Safe' Activity Day.
- Women's Aid Helping Hands Programme for KS2.
- School Assemblies
- Classroom posters and discussions with children.
- PDMU and circle time activities during class.
- Mindfulness and well being sessions.
- Operation Encompass.