



MAIDEN ERLEGH

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Dear Parent/Guardian

Safeguarding and Anti Bullying Information

As we are well and truly into the realms of the new school year, we wanted to write to share some important information about Safeguarding and Bullying at Maiden Erlegh School.

Safeguarding Team

We take the safety of our students very seriously and have an experienced Safeguarding Team. I, Miss Burns, am the Designated Safeguarding Lead for our school, we also have four Deputy Safeguarding Leads (Mr Jump, Mrs Bhadye, Mrs Beckett and Miss Nimmo). If you are concerned about your child or another child please contact Reception, and they will put you through to a member of the team. Alternatively, you can email us directly at: messafeguarding@maidenerleghtrust.org.

More information can be found on our website at:

<https://www.maidenerleghschool.co.uk/page/?title=Child+Protection+and+Safeguarding&pid=24>

Target Bullying Programme

Whilst bullying is very rare, we take all forms of bullying very seriously, when it does occur. The school will investigate and intervene when bullying takes place on school premises, on the journey to and from school (whilst students are wearing uniform), during off site activities and whilst using school equipment.

We have high expectations of everyone in the school community, including parents, students and staff and would like:

- Everyone to be respectful to each other
- Everyone to report abuse or bullying of another person
- The school to continue their proactive work in preventing bullying
- Students to learn what bullying is and what to do to report it
- Ensure the school runs an Anti-Bullying Week every year
- All teachers to be trained on the signs of bullying and how to listen to any student who feels they are being bullied

At school, we work together with United Against Bullying and were awarded a Gold Award for our work. Further information about our Anti Bullying programme can be found on the website:

<https://www.maidenerleghschool.co.uk/page/?title=TARGET+Bullying&pid=43>

Students have received/are in the process of receiving two assemblies on Safeguarding and Anti-Bullying, both of which detail what they should do if they are worried about themselves or another student relating to these matters. They will be encouraged to tell a teacher, tell you or email our dedicated email addresses mestarget@maidenerleghtrust.org for bullying matters, or targetwellbeing@maidenerleghtrust.org for safeguarding matters.

If you require any further information on our Safeguarding or Anti Bullying policies, they can be found here: <http://www.maidenerleghschool.co.uk/page/?title=Key+Policies&pid=14> and we would be keen to hear your opinions on these policies and the antibullying programme in school.

Thank you for your continued support and we look forward to working with you this year to keep the whole of our school community safe.

Yours sincerely

Handwritten signature of Miss C Burns in black ink.

Miss C Burns
Deputy Headteacher
Safeguarding Lead

Handwritten signature of Mr T Stewart in black ink.

Mr T Stewart
Assistant Headteacher