"No single professional can have a full picture of a child's need and circumstances and, if children and families are to receive the right help at the right time, everyone who comes into contact with them has a role to play in identifying concerns, sharing information and taking prompt action."

(Working Together to Safeguard Children, HM Government 2018)

At Ambleside CE Primary School we aim to safeguard and promote our pupils' welfare, safety and health. The children will be guided by fostering an open, honest, caring and supportive climate. The pupils' welfare and well-being are of paramount importance.

We believe in involving the children in decision making in school and listening to their opinions about their learning and about social and emotional aspects of school life.

If a child says or otherwise communicates something that contradicts or conflicts with the parents/carers account of their health or welfare, then we all have a clear duty of care to ensure that any discrepancies are properly investigated and explained.

We will make any referrals necessary to ensure the wellbeing of all children is safeguarded.

The Education Act (2002) states that:

"The Governing Body.....shall make arrangements for ensuring that their functions relating to the conduct of the school are exercised with a view to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children...."

The headteacher and designated safeguarding lead is:

MRS ALISON BROOM

The alternate safeguarding lead is:

MRS LYNDSAY TARR

The governor with responsibility for safeguarding is:

MRS RUTH PORTER

Anyone with a concern about a member of staff should contact the Local Authority Designated Officer (LADO) using the Allegation Notification Form available at www.cumbrialscb.com



A copy of our Safeguarding Policy is available for parents to view in school.

It is also available on the school website: www.ambleside.cumbria.sch.uk

The safeguarding policy is under 'Information/Policies'

As always, but especially with regard to safeguarding, if you would like to discuss any matter with a member of staff, please call in, telephone or email us.

In addition the school will fully comply with national and local statutory duties and guidance. At Ambleside CE Primary School we adhere to the Cumbria Safeguarding Children Partnership

www.cumbriasafeguardingchildren.co.uk



ACTION

The staff in Ambleside CE Primary School are in a good position to keep a watchful eye on children and their safety and to protect them from abuse and neglect. If staff have concerns they must inform the Headteacher immediately or, in her absence, the Alternate Safeguarding Lead: Mrs Lyndsay Tarr.

All referrals will be made through customer advisers/duty social workers who are based at the Safeguarding Hub in Penrith which covers the whole of Cumbria.

The telephone number of this 24 hour service is: **Westmorland and Furness Safeguarding Hub 0300 3732724**

Anybody with a concern about a child in Cumbria can contact Children's Services on this single number.

Emergency calls during evenings and weekends will be answered by the emergency duty team that can be contacted on the same number.

0300 3732724

.....'Everyone who comes into contact with children and their families has a role to play in safeguarding children. In order to fulfil this responsibility effectively, all practitioners should make sure their approach is child-centred. This means that they should consider, at all times, what is in the best interests of the child......

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Safeguarding is everyone's responsibility Help us to keep all our children safe.

Safeguarding all Children in Ambleside CE Primary School

An information leaflet for visitors, volunteers, parents and carers.



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