

Safeguarding Statement to parents for Brandles School

At Brandles School, the health, safety and well-being of every child are our paramount concern. We listen to our pupils and take seriously what they tell us. Our aim is for children to enjoy their time as pupils in this school. We want to work in partnership with you to help your child achieve their full potential and make a positive contribution.

To promote a safe environment for pupils, our selection and recruitment policy includes all checks on staff and regular volunteers' suitability, including Criminal Records Bureau checks, as recommended by Hertfordshire County Council in accordance with current legislation.

In accordance with our responsibilities under section 175/157 of the Education Act 2002, we have a Designated Person for Child Protection (Mrs Janet Stone) who has received appropriate training for this role.

It is her responsibility to ensure that all staff in contact with children receive child protection awareness training on a regular basis.

There are occasions when our concern about a child may mean that we have to consult other agencies. Whilst we would always aim to work in partnership with parents there may be exceptions to this when concerns are raised for the protection of a child.

On very rare occasions Social Care, whilst undertaking an investigation under S47 of the Children Act 1989, may want to speak to a child without parents' knowledge.

We may have to share some of the information and data held by us.

I have read and have had the statement explained to me .

I am aware of how and where to find the policies relating to safeguarding.

Signed _____

Print Name _____

Pupils Name _____

Date _____