



Promoting Safeguarding through the Curriculum at Robin Hood Primary School

The legal context for safeguarding education

These duties are set out in the **2002 Education Act** (the **2010 Academies Act** also refers to the broad and balanced curriculum). Schools also have statutory responsibilities in relation to promoting pupil wellbeing and pupil safeguarding (**Children Act 2004**) and community cohesion (**Education Act 2006**). The Equality Act 2010 also places duties on schools to help to reduce prejudice-based bullying and in doing so to keep protected characteristic groups safe. PSHE education plays an important part in fulfilling all of the responsibilities (see further detail on PSHE education and safeguarding, below).

All schools have responsibilities relating to the safety of children in their care. Paragraph 41 of statutory guidance on **Keeping Children Safe in Education**, the Department for Education states:

“Schools should consider how children may be taught about safeguarding, including online, through teaching and learning opportunities. This may include covering relevant issues through PSHE ...”

The UN Convention on the Rights of the Child

Article 19.1 : ‘Parties shall take all appropriate legislative, administrative, social and educational measures to protect the child from all forms of physical or mental violence, injury or abuse, neglect or negligent treatment, maltreatment or exploitation, including sexual abuse, while in the care of parent(s), legal guardian(s) or any other person who has care of a child.’

Value	How We Promote It?
Staying Safe in the community We aim to ensure that all children are able to look after themselves in the community and act in a responsible way. We promote respect for people and property fostering strong relationships with friends and an awareness of the dangers they may face whilst in the community.	
Links to: Respect Trust Rights PSHE British Values UN CRC Article 31: Parties shall respect and promote the right of the child to participate fully in cultural and artistic life and shall encourage the provision of appropriate and equal opportunities for cultural, artistic, recreational and leisure activity.	• How to stay safe, Safeguarding • Road Safety Training Y3-6 • Fire safety Y2 • Police Visits – including Social Media • Stranger Danger • E-Safety • PSHE SCARF topics – Me & My Relationships / Keeping Myself Safe / Rights & Responsibilities / Growing & Changing • Assemblies • Well-being sessions • Restorative Justice when resolving peer conflict • Nottingham Forest Community Trust HAF Sessions • Wider agency support • Attendance
British Values In 2011, the government defined British Values as democracy, the rule of law, individual liberty, mutual respect and tolerance of different faiths and beliefs . We regularly promote these values through our Robin Hood Primary School Learning Charter (collaboration, resilience, being proud, respecting others and yourself, being up for a challenge, having a thirst for knowledge and reflecting on learning), curriculum and wide range of enrichment activities.	
Links to: Democracy Rule of Law Individual liberty Mutual respect	• School council • Voting for school councillors • Assemblies • Rules and responsibilities

Tolerance of different faiths/beliefs UN CRC Article 13. 1: The child shall have the right to freedom of expression; this right shall include the freedom to seek, receive, and impart information and ideas of all kinds, regardless of frontiers, either orally, in writing, or in print, in the form of art, or through any other media of the child's choice. The exercise of this right may be subject to certain restrictions, but these shall only be such as are provided by law and are necessary.	• Restorative justice when resolving peer conflict • RE lessons • PSHE SCARF topics – Valuing Difference • Whole School Themes weeks e.g. “Diverse Book Week” • Robust and consistent investigation guidelines
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Child Sexual Exploitation

Although not appropriate for explicit teaching this does link to other topics such as Stranger Danger and the NSPCC Pants Campaign. We ensure our children also have a strong sense of rights and responsibilities and understanding citizenship issues such as right and wrong. All school staff are highly aware of identifying signs of CSE and report this to DSLs using My Concern.

Links to: Respect Responsibility Trust Rights UN CRC Article 19.1: Parties shall take all appropriate legislative, administrative, social and educational measures to protect the child from all forms of physical or mental violence, injury or abuse, neglect or negligent treatment, maltreatment or exploitation, including sexual abuse, while in the care of parent(s), legal guardian(s) or any other person who has care of a child.	• Relationship education • E-Safety • Stranger danger • Assemblies • PSHE SCARF topics – Me & My Relationships / Keeping Myself Safe / Growing & Changing • Restorative Justice • Wider agency support • NSPCC ‘Pants’ Campaign • PREVENT training for staff, Prevent lessons and assembly • CSE training for staff • British Values – individual liberty
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Bullying including cyberbullying

At school we have a zero-tolerance approach to bullying and to support us in this we ensure children and parents have an in depth understanding of what bullying is and how to report this. We want children to understand that; anyone can be bullied, that bullying is different from an argument or a fight, it is regular, systemic and deliberate and that it can take different forms. These different forms are:

- Physical
- Verbal
- Emotional - being excluded from games with friends etc
- Damage to property or theft
- Intimidation through gesture and threat, both verbal and non-verbal
- Cyber – through a range of technologies – mobile phones, email and social networks
- Exclusion or non-communication

Links to: Respect Friendship Co-operation Belonging Trust Honesty Humility Tolerance Equal rights UN CRC Article 29.1: The preparation of the child for responsible life in a free society, in the spirit of understanding,	• School Values • Anti-bullying assemblies / Anti Bullying & Behaviour Policy • Anti-bullying week (Nov annually) • PSHE/Circle times • Friendship groups • Restorative justice during peer resolution • Worry box • Online Safety taught in computing and PSHE sessions • Pupil Online Safety Contract (in class and in Learning Logs) • Behaviour expectations & Behaviour Policy • Ambassadors • Police visits • Anti-racism assemblies and PSHE
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peace, tolerance, equality of sexes, and friendship among all peoples, ethnic, national, and religious groups and persons of indigenous origins.	• Online safety training for staff • Tolerance • PSHE SCARF topics – Me & My Relationships / Valuing Difference / Being My Best / Keeping Myself Safe / Rights & Responsibilities
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Domestic Abuse

Domestic abuse is any type of controlling, bullying, threatening or violent behaviour between people in a relationship. But it isn't just physical violence – domestic abuse includes emotional, physical, sexual, financial or psychological abuse.

Domestic abuse can seriously harm children and young people. Witnessing domestic abuse is really distressing and scary for a child, and causes serious harm. Children living in a home where domestic abuse is happening are at risk of other types of abuse too. Children can experience domestic abuse or violence in lots of different ways. Although a difficult topic to share with children we do provide children with a clear understanding of what is right and wrong.

Links to: Respect Trust Tolerance UN CRC Article 19.1: Parties shall take all appropriate legislative, administrative, social and educational measures to protect the child from all forms of physical or mental violence, injury or abuse, neglect or negligent treatment, maltreatment or exploitation, including sexual abuse, while in the care of parent(s), legal guardian(s) or any other person who has care of a child.	• Prevent training • Domestic Abuse training for staff • Relationship education • Online Safety • PSHE SCARF topics • Wider agency support • Atmosphere – children confident to speak to a trusted adult • Regular welfare checks for children who need it
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Drugs

Children are taught that drugs have different purposes; some are used to help people such as medicines where as others such as alcohol are socially acceptable but you have to be a certain age to use. Children are made aware of the negative issues of such recreational drugs and this links to ensuring children have a healthy lifestyle. Children are also taught about being safe around such household drugs and should never take them unless given to by trusted adults. Illegal drug use is taught in upper KS2 and is taught alongside issues around peer pressure and the negative effects if using such substances.

Links to: Peer pressure Healthy lifestyles Trust Rule of law UN CRC Article 19.1: Parties shall take all appropriate legislative, administrative, social and educational measures to protect the child from all forms of physical or mental violence, injury or abuse, neglect or negligent treatment, maltreatment or exploitation, including sexual abuse, while in the care of parent(s), legal guardian(s) or any other person who has care of a child.	• PSHE SCARF topics – Keeping Myself Safe • Peer pressure / RSHE • Healthy eating • Police visits • Science lessons
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Female Genital Mutilation

Similar to CSE, FGM isn't explicitly taught (although touched upon in Y6 RSE topic) at Robin Hood but topics relate to understanding children's rights and responsibilities and NSPCC 'Pants' campaign makes it clear what is right and wrong for personal space and privacy. Staff are trained to be aware of and to report the key signs of a child whom may be at risk of FGM (list not exhaustive) and to report to DSLs using My Concern. Key indicators are children talking about or staff becoming aware of:

- a long holiday abroad or going 'home' to visit family
- relative or cutter visiting from abroad
- a special occasion or ceremony to 'become a woman' or get ready for marriage

- a female relative being cut – a sister, cousin, or an older female relative such as a mother or aunt.

Links to:

Respect
Responsibility
Trust
Rights

UN CRC Article 24.3: States parties shall take all effective and appropriate measures with a view to abolishing traditional practices prejudicial to the health of children.

- Relationship education
- Online Safety
- FGM training for staff
- Stranger danger
- Assemblies
- PSHE SCARF topics
- Wider agency support
- NSPCC 'Pants' Campaign

Mental Health

Mental health is taken very seriously at Robin Hood Primary School and we believe that the emotional well-being of children is as important as the physical. Common mental health problems that occur in children are: Depression, Self-harm, Generalised Anxiety Disorder, Post Traumatic Stress Disorder, ADHD and Eating Disorders. Through our curriculum we foster resilience and relationship skills empowering children to manage stressful situations. We also ensure all children are aware of and understand the support systems that are in place to support them, their families and their friends if needed. We also have a network of both peers and staff whom work with targeted children who require mentor to support dealing with traumatic events that may have occurred.

Links to:

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- Mindfulness and well-being sessions
- SATs survival packs
- Fostering Meta-cognition skills and resilience
- PSHE SCARF Curriculum Content
- Pastoral support – NURTURE TEAM
- Talking Therapy / ELSA / Play Therapy
- Family Learning and Support at home through Children First
- Wider agency support
- Atmosphere – children confident to speak to a trusted adult
- Regular welfare checks for children who need it

Preventing Radicalisation

From June 2015 Prevent Duty for schools was introduced with links to the 2011 definition for British Values. In school we provide children with many opportunities to discuss discrimination topics such as Racism and we foster and promote tolerance of other faiths. We also address real world events to address prejudice of any sort promoting the value of human life without persecution. Radicalization can be difficult to spot but adults are trained to report concerns to DSLs as soon as they are made aware of any of the possible indicators.

Links to:

Respect
Trust
Tolerance
British Values

UN CRC Article 13.2: The exercise of this right (13.1) may be subject to certain restrictions, but these shall only be such as are provided by law and are necessary:

- (a) For respect of the rights or reputations of others; or
- (b) For the protection of national security or of public order or of public health or morals.

- Prevent training
- Online Safety
- PSHE SCARF Topics
- Police visits
- Circle times and class debates
- Anti-bullying week
- Anti – Racism activities throughout the year
- British Values Assemblies
- RE lessons promoting an understanding of other faiths
- Promoting diversity through choice of class texts

The Safer Schools App

We launched the Safer Schools App to the school community in February. There is a version of the app for parents and families and a version for teachers. In the app is a wealth of information about safeguarding; covering subjects such as Internet Safety, Domestic Abuse, Preventing Radicalisation, Child Sexual Exploitation, Bullying, Mental Health, Drugs and Female Genital Mutilation. There are also accredited courses that users of the app can undertake and notifications with safeguarding news and updates.

