

*NURTURE – EMPOWER - ACHIEVE*

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# Gilwern

## Primary School



### SAFEGUARDING STATEMENT



## **Nurture, Empower, Achieve**

### **School Vision**

- Gilwern School creates a happy, secure and stimulating environment, where learners are encouraged to reach their full potential.
- The school works effectively with others and plays a central role in the community.
- All staff are committed to continuous improvement and achievement of high standards.

### **RIGHTS RESPECTING SCHOOL**

In 1991 our Government signed up to the United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child (UNCRC). In signing the Convention, the 54 articles laid down have become enshrined in UK law. The Convention applies to everyone.

At Gilwern Primary School we aim to work within the spirit as well as the letter of the Convention and our school policies and home-school agreement is based around these rights and responsibilities. At Gilwern Primary School we work together so that the rights of the child are ensured and their responsibilities are clear.

### **PREVENT**

The process of raising safeguarding and Child Protection concerns in relation to Prevent is the same as for all safeguarding concerns. The school will contact Children's Services and will discuss the concerns with the Duty Officer, and a multi-agency referral form (MARF) is completed and submitted to Children's Services via [childduty@monmouthshire.gcsx.gov.uk](mailto:childduty@monmouthshire.gcsx.gov.uk). Once assessed by the FST (duty team) manager and Prevent SPOC in the local authority, a decision will be made as to whether a Channel Referral is required. If a Channel referral is required, the Prevent SPOC will assist the school in completing the referral form and the school will participate on the Channel Panel."



## **SAFEGUARDING STATEMENT FOR SCHOOLS AND EDUCATIONAL SETTINGS**

### **SAFEGUARDING STATEMENT:**

The following statement was agreed by the Head teacher, staff and governors on April 2016.

*The Head teacher, staff and Governors of Gilwern Primary School have a legal obligation to safeguard all the pupils in the school.*

*We recognise that we all have a responsibility to help prevent the physical, sexual, emotional abuse and neglect of our pupils and to report any such abuse that we discover or suspect.*

- We believe every child should be valued, safe and happy. We want to make sure that children we have contact with know this and are empowered to tell us if they are suffering harm.
- All children and young people have the right to be treated with respect, to be listened to and to be protected from all forms of abuse.
- We recognise the personal dignity and rights of pupils, and staff, and will ensure all our policies and procedures reflect this.
- We undertake to exercise proper care in the appointment and selection of all those who will work with children.

We are committed to:

- Following the guidance in the *All Wales Child Protection Procedures*
- Respecting the rights of children
- Nurturing, protecting and safeguarding all of our pupils
- Implementing the requirements of legislation in regard to people with disabilities.
- Ensuring that workers adhere to the agreed procedures of our safeguarding policy.
- Keeping up to date with national and local developments relating to safeguarding.
- Following any local authority guidelines in relation to safeguarding children and adults in need of protection.
- Supporting parents and families.
- Sharing information with partner agencies where this is necessary to safeguard and promote the well-being of children.



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We recognise:

- Monmouthshire Children’s Services has lead responsibility for investigating all allegations or suspicions of abuse where there are concerns about a child
- Safeguarding is everyone’s responsibility.

We will review this statement and our policy and procedures annually in the Summer Term.

If you have any concerns for a child or family then speak to one of the following who are designated to take the lead in safeguarding in this school.

**DESIGNATED PERSON FOR SAFEGUARDING –**

**Roger Guy**

**DEPUTY DESIGNATED PERSON FOR SAFEGUARDING –**

**Joanna Broad**

**GOVERNOR WITH RESPONSIBILITY FOR SAFEGUARDING –**

**Barry Kriel**

Signature of Headteacher ..... Date: .....  
Mr R M T Guy

Signature of Chair of Governors ..... Date: .....  
Mr B Davies

