


		
<p>Mrs Nicola Green Designated Safeguarding Lead (Designated Teacher for Children who are Looked After)</p>	<p>Mrs Jane Webster Deputy Safeguarding Lead SENDCo</p>	<p>Mrs Sarah Kilburn Deputy Safeguarding Lead (currently on maternity leave)</p>
		
<p>Mrs Cathy Mathieson Deputy Safeguarding Lead</p>		<p>Mrs Katie St. Denis Online Safety Lead</p>

This school is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people and expects all staff, volunteers and parents to share this commitment. All adults are required to take all welfare concerns seriously and to encourage children and young people to talk to them about anything that worries them. Staff will always act in the best interest of children.

If you have a concern about a child please contact one of the people shown above.

The WIS Child Protection & Safeguarding Policy is available on our school website,
www.whitestone-infantschool.co.uk

Important statement re Child Protection and Safeguarding regarding the statutory responsibilities placed on school staff...

*'Under the Education Act 2002 (Section 175 for maintained schools/Section 157 for academies/free/independent schools), schools must make arrangements to safeguard and promote the welfare of children. Parents/carers should know that the law (Children Act 1989) requires all school staff to pass on information which gives rise to a concern about a child's welfare, including risk from neglect, physical, emotional or sexual abuse. Staff will seek, in general, to discuss any concerns with the parent/carer and discuss the need to make a referral to Children's Social Care if that is considered necessary. **This will only be done where such discussion will not place the child at increased risk of significant harm or cause undue delay.** The school will seek advice from Children's Social Care when they have reasonable cause to suspect a child may be suffering or likely to suffer significant harm. Occasionally, concerns are passed on which are later found to be unfounded. Parents/carers will appreciate that the school's Designated Safeguarding Lead carries out their responsibilities in accordance with the law and acts in the best interests of all children.'*