



Child Protection Statement

Tiggywinkles Pre-School follows the Pan Berkshire Safeguarding Children Protection Procedures (2014). The Pre-School is keen to work with other agencies in support of families and children. We are committed to providing a safe and secure environment for children, staff and visitors and to promote a climate where children and adults feel confident about sharing any concerns, which they may have about their own safety or the wellbeing of others.

Responsibilities and Immediate Action

All adults working in Tiggywinkles Pre-School (including visiting staff, volunteers and students on placement) are required to report instances of actual or suspected child abuse or neglect to the designated member of staff with responsibility for safeguarding.

The Designated Safeguarding Lead is: **Julie Stephens**

In her absence, the Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead is: **Sasha Pheby**

The Designated Safeguarding Lead/Deputy is the focal point for staff in the pre-school who have concerns about an individual child's safety and the first point of contact for external agencies who are pursuing associated issues. The Designated Safeguarding Lead coordinates the school's representation at case conferences and the submission of written reports for conferences.

When an individual concern/incident is brought to the notice of the Designated Safeguarding Lead, they are responsible for deciding whether it should be reported, in line with safeguarding guidance.

Tiggywinkles Pre-School is committed to ensuring that all our children are well cared for, safe and protected. We are required to be watchful for signs and symptoms of:

- Physical abuse
- Sexual abuse
- Neglect
- Emotional abuse

Parents should be aware that in urgent/repeated incidents, the pre-school is obliged to discuss with/refer to other agencies.

Key Contacts within the Local Authority

Where there are safeguarding or child protection concerns, we will contact Bracknell Forest Council Multi Agency Safeguarding Hub (MASH) to make a referral.

Bracknell Forest Multi-agency hub (MASH) **01344 352005**
mash@bracknell-forest.gov.uk

Emergency Duty Team (5.00pm - 9.00am Mon-Fri, 24 hours on weekends and bank holidays): **01344 351999**

If you suspect a criminal offence has been committed contact **Thames Valley Police on 101** or where an immediate protection is required **call 999**.

Alternatively, you can call ChildLine for advice on 0800 1111 or email them by visiting www.childline.org.uk

LADO - Local Safeguarding Children Board – **01344 351572**
<https://bracknellforestsafeguarding.org.uk>

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