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Child protection at St Johns



Safeguarding is everyone's business

#### Thanks to all

Well, what a term it has been! We have all been so busy this year but we have made time to ensure that our child protection standards have not faltered and our commitment to this has remained consistent and strong. Thank you so much for for your dedication to keeping children safe and your approach within the whole school.

Thank you for ensuring that you report on your concerns in a timely manner so we can look in to concerns in a timely manner and ensure the safety and well-being of our pupils.

# Reflection on the school year 20/21

Have you ever wondered about how many Causes for concerns we receive as a school group each year?

It could happen here

We feel that whilst anonymity for out young people is paramount as a team of professionals you should be aware and see what the circumstances are in terms of generalised child protection data.

As a team of DSL's it is so important that we highlight this and review this to see trends and patterns and further action required.

Please see our breakdown of our statistics for the last school year: causes for concerns, pastoral issues and the number escalated to children's social care

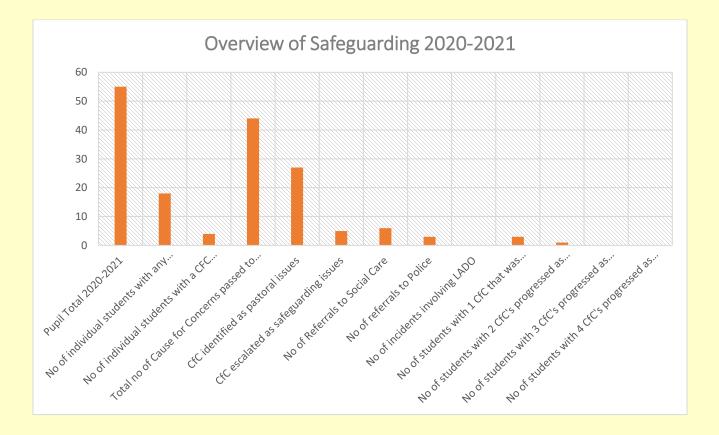








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## **ACHIEVEMENTS THIS TERM (Term 1a and 1b)**

- 1. Staff have received the update presentation on KCSIE 2021.
- 2. Staff had the opportunity to attend Harmful Sexual Behaviour training Nov21.
- 3. Thrive has been implemented in the school and will continue to be rolled out
- 4. Pupils have completed "my health survey"
- 5. Protection from harm surgery in residential launched in term 1
- 6. Mental health strategy steering group formed to develop strategy for school. This feeds in to child protection.
- 7. Launch of child friendly policies on: protection from harm, online safety and peer on peer abuse- these were written in conjunction with three pupils from St John's.
- 8. Member of care staff identified as new CEOP ambassador- awaiting training from official programme "Think you know".
- 9. Residential pupils had a visit from police who did an evening presentation, on online safety.
- 10. Invited a company to demonstrate their online system to record and store child protection information CPOMS to school to review how we record and store child protection info.

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#### Plans for term 2

1 Online safety training for new starters or staff who have not yet completed this training

- 2 Development of training matrix
- 3 Incident debrief form to be launched
- 4 DSL to deliver new starter training
- 5 Develop Thrive profiles for pupils to support with emotional and social development
- 6 DSL to spend time in classes talking about the role and function



## Industry news and interesting links

- 1. The Safe project in Leeds has been re launched see attached flyer on what they cover.
- 2. Information and guidance on squid game and how the Netflix series is commonplace classroom discussion currently. See link <a href="https://nationalonlinesafety.com/wakeupwednesday/squid-game-trending-across-platforms-what-parents-need-to-know">https://nationalonlinesafety.com/wakeupwednesday/squid-game-trending-across-platforms-what-parents-need-to-know</a>
- 3. The link below is a tool to help empower children in the classroom to consider issues of radicalization. Going Too Far? (lgfl.org.uk)
- 4. Some guidance on healthy relationship toolkit for teachers <a href="Expect-Respect-Healthy-Relationships-Toolkit.pdf">Expect-Respect-Healthy-Relationships-Toolkit.pdf</a> (womensaid.org.uk)

It is safe to say they year has been busy but we are now approaching the end of term. Thanks once again for all your hard work and commitment to keeping our young people safe.

We wish you all a restful, happy Christmas period and look forward to welcoming you back in 2022. From the DSL team.

#### Have a Lovely Christmas