



# St Joseph's Catholic Voluntary Academy

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Headteacher Mrs K McVea

31st January 2017

Dear Parents,

The St Joseph's Safeguarding Committee of the school's Governing Body met today, Tuesday, 31 Jan 2017. Every term, we meet with the school's headmistress to look at the safeguarding arrangements in St Joseph's. Mr Cooper and I are very pleased to tell you that our school has comprehensive and well-working safeguarding provisions and we believe that our children are safe and well looked-after.

Safeguarding the children is everyone's responsibility and everyone in St Joseph's takes the wellbeing of our children to their hearts. The school has 3 people who are fully trained and are the designated safeguarding leads; all members of the staff receive yearly safeguarding training; all relevant school policies are updated yearly and available on the website for everyone to see; the school has a child-friendly version of the anti-bullying policy. The staff room has a really helpful Safeguarding Board with all the necessary information.

Next week is **Internet Safety** week in the school. Internet is a wonderful place for information, games, keeping in touch with friends and so much more. Still, the virtual world has a lot of potential dangers for young and old alike. I would like to take this opportunity to remind us all, myself included, how important it is for us, the parents, to make sure that our children use the world-wide- web safely, know and understand the dangers and what to do, if concerned.

Prevention is the best cure, somebody once said. Knowing what your children do on the internet, making sure that they have no access to unsuitable sites and talking to them, can make wonders. If you are unsure or would like to know more, the school's website has a wealth of information on internet safety: <http://www.stjosephs.leics.sch.uk/safeguarding.htm>. Happy browsing ☺.

Yours sincerely,

Nina Thomas  
Parent Governor, St Joseph's

