

# SAFEGUARDING AND CHILD PROTECTION

## AT HORSFORTH SCHOOL

Sometimes young people and children can hurt or feel frightened in different ways. It might be that you are being bullied, or being hurt by an adult, being touched in a way you do not like. If you feel uncared for, under-fed, or you are shouted at a lot, or feel unsafe at home.....this could be abuse and not your fault. There is help both at school and outside of school.

Children and young people have the right to be safe and be listened to

### Abuse can take many forms:

**Physical** – hitting, shaking

**emotional-** bullying, blaming

**Sexual** – forcing sexual acts

**neglect** – no food, being left alone

**CSE – Child Sexual Exploitation** – where children are tricked by gifts, money and drugs in exchange for sexual acts

**Forced marriage** – when you do not agree/ give consent to a marriage

**FGM** –female genital mutilation

## Internet Safety

Remember that whilst the internet is great for your school work and socialising; not everything you read on there is true. There can be people using false identities with dangerous motives. Tell an adult you trust if you see something you are unsure of and go to [www.thinkyouknow.co.uk](http://www.thinkyouknow.co.uk) for further tips and advice.

### Who do I talk to in school?

#### Designated Child Protection Staff

You can talk to any member of the school staff; but we do have specialist school staff who deal with the student safety and protection:

Mrs Hastings

Mr Casey

Mrs Wilson

Mrs Sarsfield

Mrs Bancroft

Mrs Nowell

Mr Bennett

Miss Burgoyne

### Who do I talk outside of school?

Talking about your worries can make you feel better. Talk to your parents, youth worker, school nurse, a doctor or trusted family friend.

#### Useful numbers and websites:

**Child line** 0800 1111 [www.childline.org.uk](http://www.childline.org.uk)

**NSPCC** 0808 800 5000 [help@nspcc.org.uk](mailto:help@nspcc.org.uk)

NSPCC Asian Child protection Helpline:

0800 096 7719

Internet safety: [www.kidsmart.org.uk](http://www.kidsmart.org.uk)

Forced marriage: 0800 5999 247

CSE – 0800 389 1701

FGM- **0808 028 3550**