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Dear Parents/Carers,

At St. Joseph's, we are committed to the safeguarding and protection of all pupils and we are extremely proud of the effective policies and procedures, we have in place.

St Joseph's supports and follows 'The Children and Young People's Safeguarding Charter', an agreement which we are committed to putting into practice and applying its principles – see overleaf.

The Charter was officially launched by Wakefield & District Safeguarding Board, in May 2016, in conjunction with more than 200 young people across the authority, who gave their views and ideas.

The document overleaf, which is displayed throughout school, outlines the expectations of how schools, health and social care agencies, as well as the police, can support young people in enabling them to thrive and achieve.

Young people have stressed that they want to be listened to, kept safe, taken seriously and be treated with care and respect and this is central to all we do at St. Joseph's.

The Charter also sets out a series of pledges which apply to all staff working with young people, including making a personal commitment to be professional, to be trained, to know what to do and to show respect and understanding.

Using this principle from the Wakefield Children's Charter, and in conjunction with the Academy Council, we have created the attached leaflet, which aims to condense our 34 page Safeguarding Policy, into a simple and succinct format, for you, at home, to share with your child.

As we have done in school already, in an age appropriate way, please spend time discussing this leaflet with your child/ren, which we believe not only applies to life in school but life outside school, especially for our older children.

If you have any questions, then please do not hesitate to contact us.

As ever, thank you for your continued support.

St Joseph's Designated Safeguarding Leads

Mr Welsh (Designated Safeguarding Lead)

Mrs Millard (Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead)

Mrs Rowley (Designated Staff Member)

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THE YOUNG PEOPLE OF WAKEFIELD EXPECT...

As children and young people in Wakefield, we want **all** of the adults in our community to help us to be safe and protected. If we have a problem or need your help, we expect that, as adults, you will:

 <p>1 Do your best to help us be safe</p>	<p>When there are choices about what can be done, consider our opinions and respect our wishes</p>	 <p>2</p>
 <p>3 Always be ready to listen to us and speak with us</p>	<p>Value us and always involve us</p>	 <p>4</p>
 <p>5 Treat us with care and respect</p>	<p>Be clear about how things work and what we should expect to happen</p>	 <p>6</p>
 <p>7 Take what we say seriously</p>	<p>Involve the right people, at the right time, when we need it</p>	 <p>8</p>
 <p>9 Look after our information and take care how you use it</p>	<p>Get to know us and understand our lives</p>	 <p>10</p>

Want to know more about the charter?
Call **01977 722047**



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