Samuel Barlow Primary Academy Online Safety Policy

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We follow all aspects of attendance guidance outlined in the <u>Trust Policy</u> and the Trust operational guidance for staff.

In addition to the above we adopt the following local academy specific arrangements:

2 Online safety concerns

The safety of the child and young person is of paramount importance.

Immediate action may be required to safeguard investigations and any other children and young people.

Any concern that children and young people may be at risk of harm or abuse, must immediately be reported to the DSL/DDSL.

Reputational issues must be managed appropriately by discussion with the relevant communications team.

Online safety is recognised as part of Samuel Barlow Primary Academy's safeguarding responsibilities – the DSL will take lead responsibility for online safety concerns, which should be recorded and actioned.

Children and young people will be enabled, at a level appropriate to their age and ability, to share online concerns.

The child protection policy for Samuel Barlow Primary Academy includes procedures to follow regarding online safety concerns.

Remember:

- Child welfare is our principal concern the best interests of our children always take precedence
- If there is any immediate danger, we contact the police on 999
- We refer to all appropriate agencies as per Samuel Barlow Primary Academy local process
- We always adhere to local safeguarding procedures and report to the DSL and Family Support Advisor