

How Finchale Helps our School Community Stay Safe

Our Governors ensure safeguarding is a priority through:

Ensuring Governor Compliance

- All potential governors complete an eligibility form and undergo a DBS check. Both have to be satisfactory before they can become a governor.
- Governors have to declare any interests and complete the compliance sections of Governor Hub annually. This includes agreeing to abide by the Code of Conduct for Governors, which emphasizes confidentiality.
- Governors are reminded of their duties and responsibilities through Point of Order briefings at Governor Meetings.
- Governors have to attend regularly unless there is a special circumstance preventing them, which is agreed.
- Governors have to sign in and out of the building when visiting school on governor business.
- Governors wear lanyards in the building when on governor business.
- Governors provide appropriate challenge and support for the school to help it develop further.

Governor Training

- New governors complete Induction Training to ensure they understand their role and responsibilities.
- All governors read the updated version of 'Keeping Children Safe in Education' in the autumn term.
- Governors undertake Prevent and safeguarding training each year.
- Governors involved in recruitment are encouraged to complete 'Safer Recruitment' training.
- Governors involved in Finance are encouraged to undertake the 'Understanding Your School Budget' training and support the completion of the annual SFVS.

**SAFEGUARDING IS
EVERYONE'S BUSINESS**

Safeguarding Governor

Our Safeguarding Governor:

- Has undertaken, Level 1 & Level 2 Safeguarding training, Prevent training and Safer Recruitment training.
- Carries out the Annual Safeguarding Audit with the Headteacher and reports back to the full governing body. This ensures the school is fully compliant.
- Meets each month with the 3 designated safeguarding leads (DSL) to update training, review policies, share relevant information and ensure the Single Central Record (SCR) is up to date and accurate.
- Leads and/or supports the Headteacher in safeguarding training for other governors.
- Supports the Headteacher to ensure all governors are fully compliant and up-to-date with their training and follow all school procedures relating to safeguarding.

Clear Communication

Our school uses Governor Hub to present, share and exchange information. This supports safeguarding by providing:

- All documentation relating to safeguarding and Prevent.
- The Compliance and Declaration of Interest sections that can be easily accessed and updated.
- Training slides from all governor training sessions to ensure governors remain aware of their responsibilities.
- Easy access to all governor information and updates.