



**THE VALLEY SCHOOL**  
**DECLARATION FOR ALL STAFF**  
**CHILD PROTECTION/SAFEGUARDING POLICIES**  
**KEEPING CHILDREN SAFE IN EDUCATION (DfE (2019))**

**“Learn to Believe – Learn to Achieve”**  
**“Different for Different”**

The Valley School is a special school for children with learning difficulties, autism and speech, language and communication difficulties. We recognise that their condition means that many of the young people we serve may find it harder to recognise signs of abuse or exploitation. This places on us the responsibility to be particularly vigilant and to maintain our awareness of the risks that a young person may face. The safeguarding and protection of the young people in our care is our most important duty.

**Academic Year 2019/2020**

Please complete, sign and return to Caroline Mahoney (DSP) by 3.30 on 2<sup>nd</sup> October 2019

I, ..... have read and am familiar with the contents of the following documents and understand my role and responsibilities as set out in these documents.

- (1) The Valley School policies for Child Protection and Safeguarding
- (2) **Part 1 and Annex A** of 'Keeping Children Safe in Education' DfE Guidance, 2019

I am aware that the DSPs are:

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**Tick as appropriate:**

In order to understand fully, I took the opportunity to discuss these documents with a member of SLT, as offered.	
I understand that I am able to discuss any concerns that I may have with one of the DSPs.	
I know that copies of the policies mentioned above are available electronically on Staff Share or on the school website. If I require further guidance I can and will ask any member of SLT.	

Signed \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_