

Safeguarding Children in Education

All governors want every child at their school to do as well as they are able, and to achieve this, children need to be safe, secure and happy. However, this is more than a noble aspiration; it is a statutory requirement, under the Education Act 2002. Some people think that safeguarding is the new word for child protection, it is incorrect. Child protection, deals with a minority of children who are at risk of, or who are suffering significant harm. Safeguarding applies to all children covering *everything* that happens in your school. Does your governing body incorporate safeguarding into all aspects of its work? The diagram below illustrates this point.

