



At King's Meadow Academy, all staff are committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children in all regards. Policies and procedures in place at the Academy ensure that any volunteers and visitors take a shared responsibility in this aspect of our work.

As a Pastoral Team, we have a range of experience and training to allow us to offer support to children and their families. If you have any concerns about your child – linked to an issue in school or at home – please make contact with the school to discuss this further.

Wakefield also provides a range of support to families through their Children First Hubs. Here is a link to the Early Help Offer

<http://earlyhelp.wakefield.gov.uk/>

Mrs Womersley is our Learning Mentor (families). Her role is to work with children in school to help remove barriers to learning to ensure all children can learn well. This may involve working with pupils on a 1:1 basis or as part of a small group. Mrs Womersley is very good at listening and helping people to solve problems that make them unhappy or behave in a different way. She has an in depth knowledge about service support that can be offered to children and their families.

Miss Radford is our Learning Mentor (behaviour). She works with children across the school to support our Positive Behaviour Policy and ensure that pupils who are struggling with aspects of their behaviour are supported. Miss Radford has advanced behaviour management training and is trained to deliver intervention programmes to address underlying emotional issues.

Miss Ager is our School Attendance Officer. She works hard to ensure that children attend school regularly. She works closely with the Trust's Education Welfare Office Mandy Sherrard to improve attendance and punctuality where issues have been identified.

Miss Coggill, our Assistant Headteacher, is our DSL (Designated Safeguarding Lead). Deputy DSL's in school include Mr Cochrane and Mrs Womersley.

As a school, we work in conjunction with other agencies to safeguard our pupils.

We are an Operation Encompass School. This means that we are notified by the Police of any incident of Domestic Violence where a child has been present. This enables school to offer support to pupils who are experiencing domestic violence. Information is shared with the DSL prior to the start of the school day to allow appropriate support to be given dependent upon the need and wishes of the child. Here is a link to their website.

www.operationencompass.org/

Wakefield Safeguarding Children Partnership is a partnership of all the agencies (statutory, community and voluntary) involved in promoting the safety and welfare of children and young people living in Wakefield.

Here is a link to their website.

<https://www.wakefieldscp.org.uk/>

Worried about a child?

www.wakefieldscp.org.uk/worried-about-a-child/