Safeguarding – SUA Appendix

Safeguarding within the academy is monitored and actioned by our Keep Safe Team utilising Provision Map software which allows all staff in the academy to log any safeguarding concern. Details of the keep safe team can be found on the below poster which is displayed throughout the academy.







Safeguarding priorities at SUA

Based on our context and students attending the academy, additional resources have been dedicated to supporting students with their mental health. In 2022/23, over a third of all safeguarding concerns logged were linked to mental health. To support our students, the following measures have been put in place:

- Counselling service commissioned from North Staffordshire MIND for 2 days a week
- Additional assemblies delivered to students on mental health
- Lessons on mental health delivered through our CHARACTER curriculum
- Three members of staff trained as school counsellors

Training and development

All staff complete Level 1 safeguarding training every year in September as best practice, beyond the statutory requirement of every three years. In 2023, this was completed on 4th September and delivered by the Designated Safeguarding Lead.

All staff have complete Prevent Training annually with certificates for this stored centrally.

Staff completed a safeguarding questionnaire with areas for development being identified and addressed through staff briefings and regular email updates.

The keep safe team meet weekly to discuss safeguarding referrals and best practice