



Child Protection

Parental Leaflet

Child Protection Procedures

The care and welfare of the children is of the utmost important to staff in Blackwood Primary School Nursery Class. We believe that all children have the right to be cared for and protected from abuse and harm, in a safe environment in which their rights are respected.

Any concern regarding the welfare of a child are reported to the Child Protection Officer -
Ms Christine McMillan, Head Teacher. Child Protection Guidelines (produced by South Lanarkshire Council) are followed at all times.

The child concerned is treated with the utmost sensitivity and respect. The welfare of the child is paramount.

Support of Children

If a child makes a disclosure to staff they will:

- Listen with care
- Treat the allegation in a serious manner
- Reassure the child
- Seek to clarify information already given

Staff will not:

- Give a guarantee of confidentiality
- Ask leading questions
- Be judgemental

Staff will then report any concerns to the Head Teacher who will follow SLC guidelines and contact Social Services if she feels that is the appropriate course of action.

South Lanarkshire Council's Guidelines are available to parents should they wish to read them.