

If you do not feel you can speak with school directly, there are other options:

- Manchester's Children's Services
0161 234 5001
mcsreply@manchester.gov.uk
- NSPCC
0808 800 5000
Text 88858
Nspcc.org.uk
help@nspcc.org.uk
- The Police
101 or 999

Types of abuse:

- Neglect
- Domestic violence/abuse
- Emotional abuse
- Physical abuse
- Sexual abuse
- Online abuse
- Grooming
- Child Exploitation
- Female Genital Mutilation

There is further information in our safeguarding policy on the school website.

<http://rolls-crescent.manchester.sch.uk>

Manchester's

Early Help Strategy

We know that parenting can be one of the most difficult jobs and at times we may need some help or support.

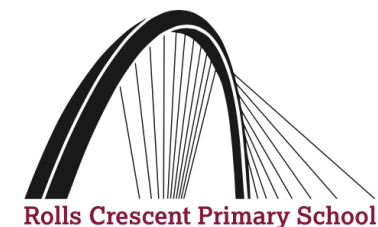
We know that if we get that help or support early enough it can stop problems from getting worse and reduce the need for involvement from Children's Services.

Manchester has established the Early Help Hub to provide advice and support for a range of areas such as:

- ✚ parenting,
- ✚ health & wellbeing,
- ✚ finance,
- ✚ housing,
- ✚ young carers etc.

You can find information by searching the internet for **Manchester Early Help for Parents** or by making an appointment with **Parent Support Advisors *Sandra Graham*** (Mon- Thu), **Louise Knotman** or the Inclusion Manager ***Jane Traore***.

They can do an Early Help Assessment with you and then refer to the Early Help Hub for any advice or support you may require to get back or track.



Safeguarding at Rolls Crescent Primary School

What do I do if I am concerned about a child?



Heads of School: *Mr Reynolds & Ms Turner*

This leaflet gives some information about safeguarding at Rolls Crescent.

The safety and wellbeing of our children is paramount and we will do all that we can to ensure that their time in Rolls Crescent is as happy and healthy as possible.

Rolls Crescent Primary School aims to create and maintain a safe learning environment where all children and adults feel safe, secure and valued and know that they are listened to and taken seriously. Our school is committed to the principles outlined in '*Working Together to Safeguard Children*' and implements policies, practices and procedures which promote safeguarding and the emotional and physical wellbeing of children, young people and staff.

The children have access to appropriate curriculum opportunities, including emotional health and wellbeing, to support the development of the skills needed to help them stay safe and healthy, develop their self-esteem and understand the responsibilities of adult life.

The school works closely with Manchester's Early Help Hub, Children's Services and further outside agencies to ensure that we provide our children and families with the appropriate support that they require to live safe and healthy lives.

We will always do what we believe to be in the best interest of the child to ensure their health and safety.

Who do I talk to?

All schools have a safeguarding policy which tells people what to do if they think a child may be suffering abuse or neglect.

The staff at school are trained in Safeguarding and learn the signs of abuse/neglect. Also, the school has a Designated Safeguarding Lead (DSL) as well as Deputy Designated Safeguarding Officers (DDSO).

At Rolls Crescent they are: **Designated Safeguarding Leads:** *Mrs J Traore* (Inclusion Manager), *Mr Reynolds* (Head of School) & *Ms Turner* (Head of School) **Deputy safeguarding Officer:** *Lee Morgan* **Governor for Safeguarding:** *Paul Davis*

Concerns

If you are concerned about the welfare of a child who comes to Rolls Crescent you have a duty to report those concerns.

You are not expected to make any judgements on whether it is abuse or not.

The DSO carry out intensive training along with social workers, police and medical staff in the city. It is the role of the DSL to decide if child abuse is a consideration or if the information received can be held on file.

Why do you keep concerns on file?

Concerns can often be something small and not warrant investigation from Children's Services, however, over a period of time, a collection of small concerns can build a worrying picture. It is when we receive a number of 'small concerns' that we may contact Children's Services to look at that picture it builds and make a judgment on intervention based on them.

Therefore, even the smallest concern, if filed, can help the DSL to gain the information to build a picture that warrants Child Protection Services investigating.

Early Help

We will aim to address the concerns via Manchester's Early Help Strategy to prevent the situation from escalating. If we believe that the concerns place a child at risk of immediate harm then a referral will be made to Children's Services.

What if I still have concerns about a child?

- Speak to the DSL;
- Ask the Heads of School to look into the concern;
- Ask the Governor for Safeguarding to look at the concern;
- Contact Manchester Children's Services to report the concern to them directly.