



Headteacher: Mrs R Lee



Treehouse Breakfast and After School Club

Safeguarding Children (From January 2018)

Hartford Infant School's Treehouse Club recognises the responsibility to have arrangements in place to safeguard and promote the welfare of the children attending.

Through the day-to-day contact with children and direct work with families, staff at Treehouse Club have a crucial role to play in noticing indicators of possible abuse or neglect and in referring them to Social Care.

The full school policy which is available to view at all times, sets out how Treehouse Club discharges its statutory responsibilities relating to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children who attend the Club.

There are four main elements to our policy:

PREVENTION

Treehouse Club will establish and maintain an ethos where children feel secure and are encouraged to talk and are actively listened to. We will ensure children know that there are adults in the setting whom they can approach if they are worried or in difficulty.

PROCEDURES

Treehouse Club will follow the Cambridgeshire Local Safeguarding Children Board procedures which can be accessed online.

ETHOS

Treehouse Club will endeavour to support all children through activities to encourage self-esteem and self-motivation in addition to maintaining the Club ethos that actively promotes a positive, supportive and secure environment and values people.

PREVENTING UNSUITABLE PEOPLE FROM WORKING WITH CHILDREN

Treehouse Club will operate safer recruitment practices including ensuring DBS checks and references are undertaken.

Treehouse Club will ensure that all staff and volunteers are aware of the need for maintaining appropriate and professional boundaries in their relationships with children and parents.

The staff will receive guidance as part of an induction about how to communicate and create appropriate professional boundaries with disabled and vulnerable children.

A list of Designated Persons for Child Protection is available via the School Office.

I confirm that I have read, understood and accept the above in respect of Safeguarding Children. I accept that the Treehouse Club may contact appropriate authorities with or without my prior knowledge or consent if they deem it necessary and appropriate to do so, in order to safeguard my child/ren.

Parent/Carer Name (Please print)

Parent/Carer Signature **Date**

Child/ren's Name(s)