



Torquay Girls' Grammar School
Safeguarding Newsletter Issue 6
Summer Term 2

Dear Parents and Carers,

Well, we have made it to the end of another school year!

Thank you for your ongoing support, especially with working alongside us as we tackle a variety of safeguarding issues.

With the summer holidays looming, we want to just give you a few tips about how to keep your child safe this summer. From summer camps to clubs to sleepovers, please be vigilant when it comes to knowing where your child is at all times.

- Do your research on any summer or sports clubs, making sure they have a safeguarding policy in place and that it is being followed. Please also make sure any adults working within these clubs have had DBS checks and are fully licenced/registered to be around children.
- With the long, warm summer evenings, your child may be out until quite late. Please make sure you are aware of who they are meeting and where. If they stay over at a friend's house, please be aware of who they are staying with and that you have the contact numbers needed.

Regarding the next academic year, there are going to be some changes to the safeguarding team. Sophie Bucklar is moving to Head of Pastoral Care and we will be joined by our new Designated Safeguarding Lead, Helen Wilkinson. Miss Cross will continue as DDSL and will be joined by our new DDSLs Ms Neill and Ms Saunders. A huge thank you to Mrs Roberts who is sadly leaving us at the end of the academic year. Mrs Vanes will be continuing at TGGs but will be joining Miss Bucklar on the pastoral team.

As we are soon to be on holiday, at the end of this newsletter are some helpful links should you need any support over the 6 week break.

Kindest regards,

TGGs Safeguarding Team.

Visit [Home : Operation Encompass](#) for information or support with domestic abuse.

TGGS [Allegations Against Adults](#) policy



On-Line Grooming



IWF safety campaign aims to help parents have conversations with their children about keeping their 'door' closed to child sexual abusers. The campaign includes a booklet for parents, explaining the risks, explaining why children are vulnerable, and suggests practical steps that parents can take.

TALK to your child about online sexual abuse. Start the conversation – and listen to their concerns.

AGREE ground rules about the way you use technology.

LEARN about the platforms and apps your child loves.

KNOW how to use tools, apps and settings that can help to keep your child safe online.



For further details go to: <https://talk.iwf.org.uk/>

USEFUL ON-LINE SAFETY WEBSITES

National Online Safety – safety guides on ALL aspects of internet use

<https://nationalonlinesafety.com/>

Internet Matters – wide range of online safety advice for parents to keep their children safe on-line.

<https://www.internetmatters.org/>

Safeguarding contacts

During term time, school working hours: If you are worried about a child's safety or suspect a child is being abused or is in danger of being abused please contact a Designated Safeguarding Lead, or any member of staff. sbucklar@tggsacademy.org, dnixon@tggsacademy.org, lroberts@tggsacademy.org or scross@tggsacademy.org or telephone 01803 613215.

At any time: You can also contact the Multi Agency Safeguarding Hub (MASH) details below:

If a child is in immediate danger, call the Police immediately on 999.

Torbay residents:

- For Targeted Help, Consultation and Enquiries please contact: Telephone: 01803 208525 (9am-12pm) Email: targetedhelp@torbay.gov.uk
- For MASH please contact: Telephone: 01803 208100 Email: MASH@torbay.gov.uk
- MASH Referral Form available at <http://www.torbaysafeguarding.org.uk/workers/hub/>
- For the Emergency Duty Team out of working hours please contact: 0300 456 4876
- For all LADO enquiries: Duty LADO 01803 208541 or email cpunit@torbay.gov.uk

Devon Residents:

- For MASH, Early Help, Consultation and Enquiries please contact: Telephone: 0345 155 1071 Email: mashsecure@devon.gov.uk Fax: 01392 448951
- Enquiry Form available at: Appendix 9 Appendix 10 48 <https://new.devon.gov.uk/making-a-mash-enquiry> Post: Multi-Agency Safeguarding Hub, P.O. Box 723, Exeter EX1 9QS
- Emergency Duty Team out of hours 0845 6000 388
- Locality Early Help Mailbox North: earlyhelpnorthsecuremailbox@devon.gov.uk
- Mid & East: earlyhelpmidwestsecuremailbox@devon.gov.uk
- South & West: earlyhelpsouthsecuremailbox@devon.gov.uk
- Exeter: earlyhelpexetersecuremailbox@devon.gov.uk
- For emergencies outside of office hours please call: 0345 600 0388 or 0845 600 0388
- Police non-emergency: 101