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Safeguarding in Schools

Education safeguarding Lead





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What is Safeguarding?

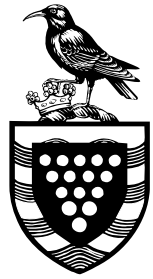
2 Elements:

Child Protection

Part of safeguarding and promoting welfare. This refers to the activity that is undertaken to protect specific children who are suffering, or are likely to suffer, **significant** harm

Safeguarding

Every adult's responsibility to protect all children from harm.



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Schools have very SPECIFIC safeguarding responsibilities and have to adhere to a couple of documents for guidance:

[Keeping Children Safe in Education 2023](#)

[Working Together 2023](#)

1

Protecting children from maltreatment

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Preventing impairment of children's **mental and physical** health or development

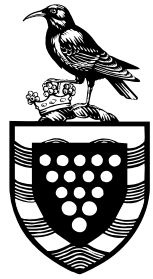
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Ensuring that children grow up in circumstances consistent with the provision of safe and effective care

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Taking action to enable all children to have the best outcomes



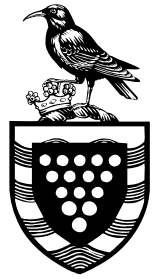


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What do I need to know
about safeguarding in
school?

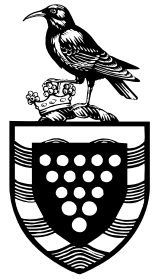
How can I help my child
feel safe?



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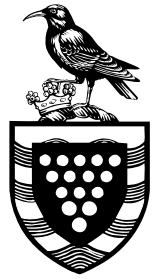
What kind of training do school staff have to equip them to safeguard my child?



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How does school teach my child to
keep themselves safe?



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Early Help Hub

School Nurse

Targeted Youth
Support

Family Support

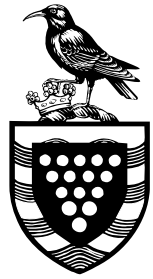
Voluntary
Sector

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CAMHS

What will school do if they
think my child is not safe?

**Multi-Agency Referral
Unit (MARU)**

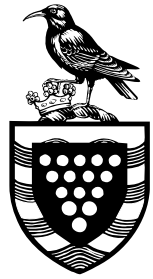
Consideration for a
social care assessment



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What if another child has behaved
in a way that makes my child feel
unsafe?



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What do I do if I don't think school
are keeping my child safe?



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Myth Buster!!

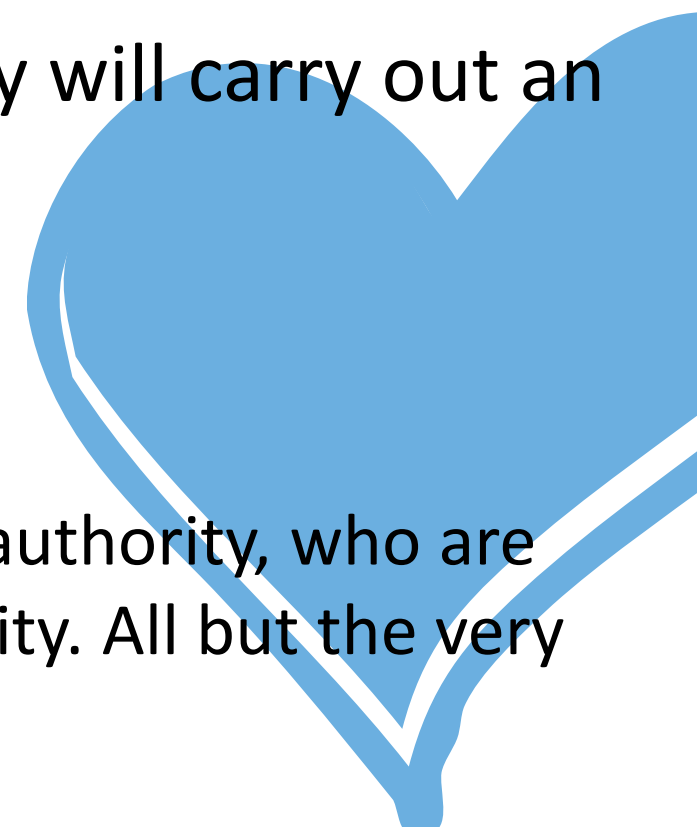
True or false?

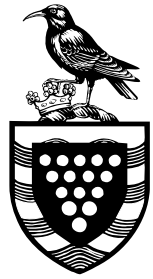
If you complain straight to Ofsted then they will carry out an inspection at the school.

FALSE!!

All Ofsted complaints come through to the local authority, who are asked to investigate on behalf of the local authority. All but the very serious complaints will be dealt with in this way.

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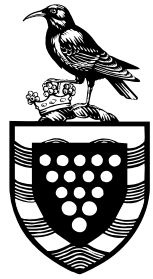
True or false?

If I have a problem with my school, I can bypass the complaints process and go straight to the local authority.

FALSE!!

If you direct a complaint to the local authority that the school hasn't yet had the opportunity to investigate then you will be redirected to the school.

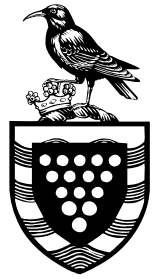
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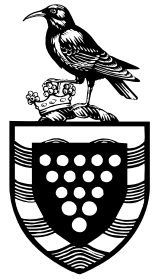
How does the local authority assure themselves that schools are following the safeguarding guidance?



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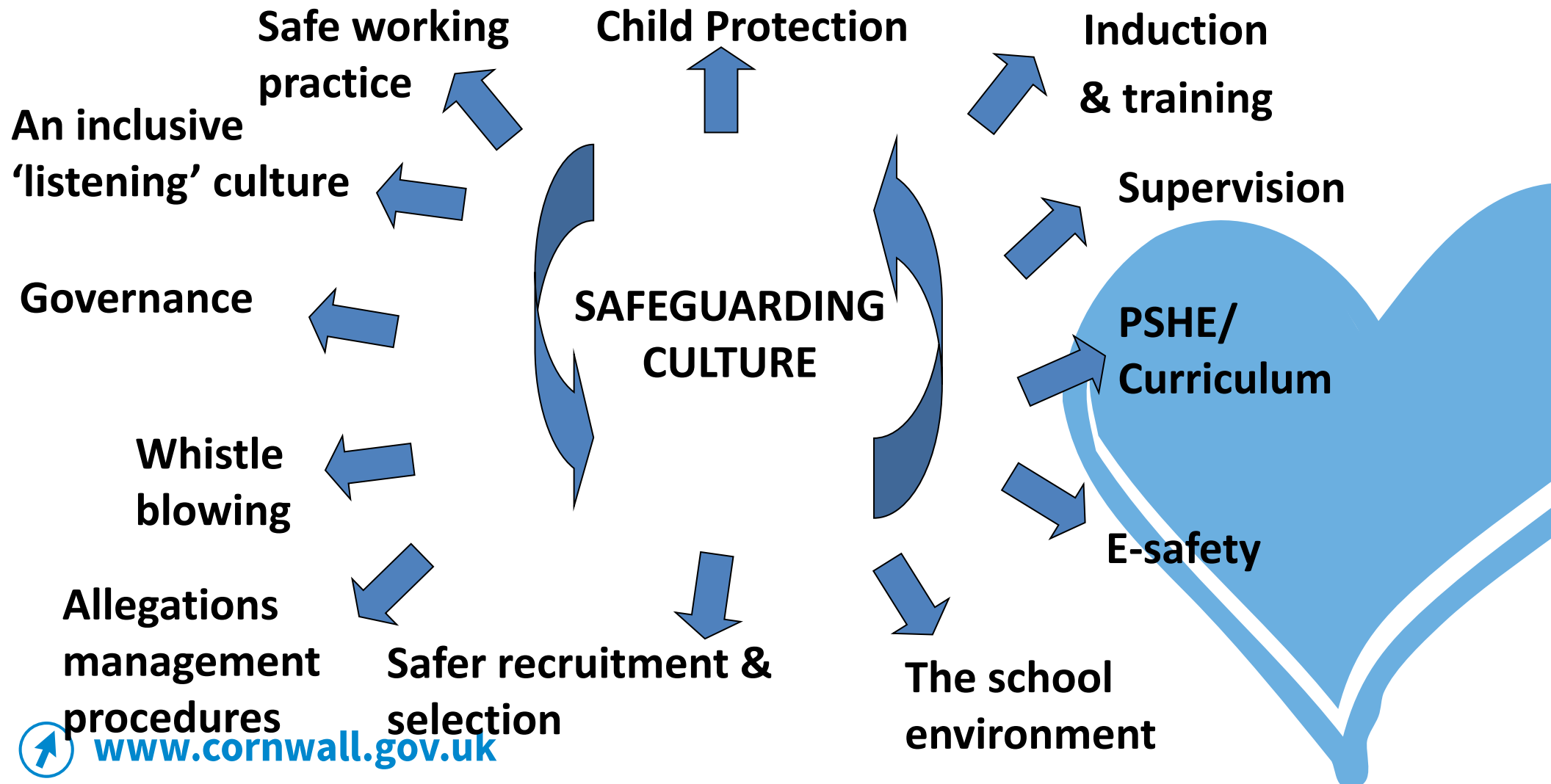
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What happens if a member of staff
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If you have any questions or comments

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