

Child Safeguarding Policy D 3.3B

Introduction

The health, safety, and welfare of all our children are of paramount importance to all the adults who work in our school. Our children have the right to protection, regardless of age, gender, race, culture or disability. They have a right to be safe in our school.

Our Child Safeguarding Policy is based on UK guidelines – Protecting Children from Abuse: This policy takes account of the requests set out in the Children Act 2004 ('Every Child Matters').

Safeguarding Code of Conduct for Parents or Visitors

BSB British International Primary School has a responsibility to keep students protected, safe and secure. Please follow these expectations when in the school grounds and share them with any employee/personal guest:

- Keep your BSB Card or Visitor tag visible at all times when in the school grounds.
- Only use toilets and changing rooms with an adult sign on the door.
- Do not use cameras in areas where privacy is expected. Follow the guidelines in the parents handbook and data protection for taking and sharing photographic images and events pictures. Visitors may not take pictures of children or staff while on site.
- Obey the guidance provided in school and report any concerns to a member of the BSB staff.
- BSB does not tolerate: Physical or verbal intimidation or harassment of staff, students, or other parents/carers on campus, at off-site BSB events, or when interacting with our Transport staff off-site,
- or any attempt to physically harm staff, students, or others while on campus.

Engaging in these behaviours may result in a temporary ban from school grounds or police involvement. At BSB, we believe that physical (corporal) punishment negatively impacts a child's well-being.

Confidentiality between parents and school

We take student confidentiality seriously. School staff will only share information about a child with their parents or an agreed legal guardian. In some cases, we may need to share information with authorities for the child's health and well-being. We ask that parents also respect confidentiality by not sharing information about another family or student, except with BSB staff who have a direct professional role. This includes refraining from making comments about others on social media or messaging platforms.

Confidentiality between schools and appropriate agencies

BSB will share personal data only in accordance with the Thailand Personal Data Protection Act (PDPA). We will ensure that safeguarding information is shared lawfully to protect children from harm. Safeguarding records will only be shared with the receiving school's Designated Safeguarding Lead, unless necessary to discuss them with appropriate government agencies."

Safeguarding in BSB

Reporting any Child Safeguarding issues:

Reporting an allegation of child safety in a BSB is a crucial and sensitive process that is handled with care to ensure the safety and well-being of the child involved.

Chain of Command:

Anyone may report a suspected case of abuse

Any safeguarding concerns should go directly to the DSL, DDSL, or the Principal.

email for Contacting the BSB Safeguarding Team:

- Safeguarding DSL email Mr Mike: childsafeguardingdsl@bsbangkok.ac
- Safeguarding DDSL email Ms Mina: childsafeguardingddsl@bsbangkok.ac
- Safeguarding Principal email Mrs June: childsafeguardingprincipal@bsbangkok.ac

We regard all information relating to individual child protection issues as confidential, and we treat it accordingly. We pass information on to appropriate persons only. PDPA Guidelines apply to all suspected cases. In our school, we respect our children. The atmosphere within our school is one that encourages all children to do their best.

We provide opportunities that enable our children to take and make decisions for themselves.

Child abuse takes a variety of forms, we recognise that abuse and neglect can result in underachievement.

We strive to ensure that all our children make good educational progress.

Aims and objectives

Our aims are:

- to provide a safe environment for children to learn in;
- to establish what actions the school can take to ensure that children remain safe, at school;

All staff have a responsibility to report to the Principal, DSL or DDSL any concern they have about the safety of any child in their care.

Teachers' role in child safeguarding through the curriculum:

Our teaching of personal, social and health education and citizenship, as part of the National Curriculum, helps to develop appropriate attitudes in our children and makes them aware of the impact of their decisions on others.

Through PSHE Lessons children should feel

- That the ethos of the school is one in which children and young people are always valued, respected, listened to and taken seriously.
- That they can communicate about issues that concern them with their teacher, School Principal, Nurse, or any member of staff.
- BSB students who may be concerned about bullying, abuse or have other concerns affecting their mental or emotional wellbeing know how to access support for themselves or for their friends at school by talking to teachers or any adult.
- The school promotes the safeguarding and protection of children and young people through the curriculum including personal safety, keeping safe, self-esteem, anti-bullying, relationships, emotional, physical, or psychological abuse, digital and online safety.

E Safety:

As part of our unwavering commitment to establishing a secure and responsible digital learning environment, our ICT policy places a strong emphasis on e-safety. We recognise the paramount importance of ensuring that our students are equipped with the skills and knowledge needed to navigate the online world safely. In our comprehensive ICT curriculum, we deliberately integrate e-safety education to empower students with the tools to make informed decisions, cultivate responsible online behaviour, and confidently navigate the digital landscape.

Employment and recruitment

BSB will do all we can to ensure that all those working with children in our school are suitable people. This involves scrutinising applicants, verifying their identity, and obtaining and checking references, as well as CRB checks or the equivalent.

BSB's Child Safeguarding policy and any other policies regarding child safeguarding are reviewed annually or more often when necessary.