CASTLEBAR SCHOOL SAFEGUARDING GROUP

Over the last few years it has become increasingly apparent that the areas of Safeguarding / Child Protection / Behaviour / e-Safety / PSHE / RSE / Countering extremism / Data Protection, all overlap enormously, and are all changing rapidly. Delegating these areas of responsibility separately to different people can result in piecemeal provision, and yet it is all too HUGE to be the responsibility of one person.

Responsibilities of the Group:

1.   To share the knowledge experience and expertise of a range of professionals enabling people to be better informed within the group, and indeed, as a consequence, across the school. Therefore, if somebody leaves their role their knowledge and work doesn't fizzle out, the momentum and progress can be sustained.

     The main purpose of the committee is to ensure children in the school remain safe in the face of a complex and rapidly changing areas of safeguarding.

2.   To stay up to date on new issues, developments and resources, identifying gaps in the provision that require some form of initiative. Monitoring incidents and identifying most effective practice.

3.   To communicate the work we are doing to governors, staff, students and parents.

4.   The safeguarding groups focus will be on implementing appropriate PREVENT strategies. Keeping the school up to date with new legislation, national guidance and policy requirements.

Regular Agenda Items:

- Updates on any new legislation, national guidance or policy requirements
- Update on Actions from last meeting
- Review progression of curriculum activities (Curriculum Areas: Computing / PSHE / RSE / PREVENT)
- Review of incidents and procedures for reporting / recording (CP lead)
- Issues / questions raised (from staff / students / parents / PCSO / Community / etc.)
- Any other business

Other occasional agenda items:

- Anti-Bullying Week (occurs mid-November)
- Safer Internet Day (occurs early February)
- Parent eSafety / Safeguarding workshops
- Discuss training needs (staff, governors, parents)
- Review RSE, e-Safety and Acceptable Use Policies
- Update on any infrastructure issues (network security / filtering / equipment)