

**HARROW SCHOOL**

**CHILD PROTECTION STATEMENT**

Harrow School recognises its responsibility to safeguard the welfare of all its pupils by protecting them from physical, sexual or emotional harm and from neglect or bullying.

Harrow School acknowledges that child abuse can be a very emotive and difficult subject. It is important to understand the feelings involved but not to allow them to interfere with judgement about the action to be taken.

All applicants for employment at Harrow School will be fully screened in accordance with DfES guidelines – Safeguarding Children: Safer Recruitment and Selection in Education Settings’.

The key principles of Harrow School’s Child Protection statement are that:

- The pupil’s welfare is, and must always be the paramount consideration
- All pupils have a right to be protected from abuse regardless of their age, gender, disability, culture, language, racial origin, religious belief or sexual identity.
- All suspicions and allegations of abuse will be taken seriously and responded to swiftly and appropriately by following Harrow School’s Child Protection Policy.