

# Child Protection Policy

This policy applies to our staff, students, parents or anyone working on the area of the dance school.

The purpose of the safeguarding policy is to ensure that every child that attends our dance school is safe and protected from harm. All staff have a responsibility to ensure that children have a safe and welcoming environment to dance in.

We recognise that:

- the welfare of the child/young person is important
- all children, regardless of age, disability, gender, religious belief, have the right to equal protection from all types of harm or abuse

The purpose of the policy is:

- to provide protection for the children and young people who participate in our show productions, exams or any other activities
- to provide staff and teachers with guidance on how they should respond in the event that they suspect a child or young person may be experiencing, or be at risk of harm

We will seek to safeguard children and young people

- valuing them, listening to and respecting them
- adopting child protection guidelines through procedures and safe working practice for staff and teachers
- sharing information about child protection and safe working practice with children, parents, staff and teachers
- sharing information about concerns with agencies who need to know, and involving parents and children appropriately

The principal of the school will review this policy annually, or sooner in light of any changes in legislation or guidance. All changes will be communicated to our members with immediate effect.

All the teachers are checked and fully insured.

However, where a child is in immediate need, must inform the police or call at 1056