



Safeguarding our children



At Acre Rigg Infant school, we ensure all children in our care are safe and secure. Please read our safeguarding policy for full details. I have included some key information.

Safeguarding	<p>Safeguarding is everyone's responsibility. As a school we have systems in place to ensure all children in our care remain safe. These systems include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Ensuring all adults in school are aware of systems and procedures for reporting information. Completing regular training.• Completing risk assessments of the environment.
Safer recruitment	<p>All jobs at the school are advertised on the Durham County Council website. An application form has to be completed, with two references obtained prior to taking up a new post.</p>
Qualifications	<p>All qualifications are checked and kept on file as a record This ensures all staff members have the appropriate training and qualifications to work in the post they do.</p>
Enhanced DBS	<p>This is an online form that is completed. Every person who works in school or is a volunteer in school must complete this form and have their identity checked.</p>
Disqualification by Association	<p>This form is completed by all staff members. It ensures members of staff do not live with anyone who may pose a risk to children.</p>
School procedures	<p>Staff in school have all read and are aware of school procedures if they are concerned about a child.</p>
Support from outside agencies	<p>Sometimes families need additional support. Acre Rigg Infant school works very closely with our Parent Support Advisor, Karen, with Peterlee One Point, Health Visitors, School Nurses, Social Workers etc.</p>