

## Safeguarding at the International College – International College Appendix January 2024

The IC student population comprises international students only, and nearly all students are boarders. In addition, the educational purpose of the IC is different from that of the senior school, as it focuses on academic and cultural acclimatisation to the UK. This includes one-year GCSE courses for Year 11, two-year GCSE courses for Years 10 and 11, and a one-year general preparation course for Year 9. The majority of current IC students are on a one-year programme, which intensively prepares them for entry into the Senior School or any other secondary school. IC students have lower English levels than senior school pupils, have little experience of living in the UK, and have different cultural expectations and attitudes. This makes them more vulnerable as a group. College staff have extensive experience in working with international students and are very aware of how language needs to be adapted to make communication with IC students meaningful and efficient.

College DSL: Bill Prior, Joint College Principal, 07546512714 (school mobile)

College DDSL: Samantha King, Assistant Housemistress and Lead Teacher of Science, 7266 (school extension), 07714 766034 (mobile number when on duty)

Safeguarding Coordinator: Luke Illsley, 01227 595762 (office), 07841 235098 (mobile)

Whole-school DSL: Tanya Lee, 01227 595560 (office), 07732 405753 (mobile)

Safeguarding concerns should be raised with Bill Prior, who is available daytime, night-time and weekends and is resident on campus. Staff and students can also raise concerns with Luke Illsley and Samantha King. Students and staff are aware of these arrangements. On the rare occasions when Bill Prior is not on campus overnight, Samantha King is on call, and duty staff are made aware of this. Contact details for the staff above are displayed on posters round the College.

Those staff who do not have access to CPOMS should alert Bill Prior in person or by email ([cwp@kings-school.co.uk](mailto:cwp@kings-school.co.uk)) so the concern can be added to CPOMS.

IC students can be distinguished from senior school pupils through their uniform: they do not have wing collars and girls wear a dress or trousers, not a skirt.

Staff use [missingstudent@international.kings-school.co.uk](mailto:missingstudent@international.kings-school.co.uk) to alert the core house team of any unexpected absences.

Student training is delivered through the PSHEC curriculum. In addition, training or information is delivered to students through regular College meetings.

Short safeguarding scenario-based training sessions are delivered at least termly to all IC staff in the weekly staff meeting, to provide intermittent reinforcement of knowledge on key themes.

Complex and serious cases are discussed at a half-termly meeting between Safeguarding Coordinator, Deputy Head (Pastoral), Health Centre, Counselling, College DSL. At these meetings, the key staff involved in planning the student's care discuss the student's current needs and review the support provided.