



Safeguarding Students:

Visitor Information

'Achieving Through Learning'

Nelson Academy fully recognises the responsibility it has under Section 157 of the Education Act 2002 to have arrangements in place to safeguard and promote the welfare of children and we are fully committed to fostering a culture and ethos where every child feels safe here.

This responsibility is more fully explained in the statutory guidance for schools and colleges "Keeping Children Safe in Education" (Sept 2026).

Young people can be abused in a number of ways and it is the responsibility of all members of the Nelson Academy community, namely staff, students, parents and visitors to report any concerns that they may have concerning the welfare of our students.

Physical abuse	Physical abuse is the deliberately hurting a child causing injuries such as bruises, broken bones, burns or cuts.
Emotional abuse	Children who are emotionally abused suffer emotional maltreatment or neglect. Its sometimes called psychological abuse and can cause children serious harm.
Neglect	Neglect is the ongoing failure to meet a child's basic needs. It is dangerous and children can suffer serious and long-term harm.
Domestic Abuse	Witnessing domestic abuse is child abuse, and children can suffer domestic abuse in their relationships.
Sexual Abuse	A child is sexually abused when they are forced or persuaded to take part in sexual activities. This does not have to be physical contact and can happen online.
Female Genital Mutilation	Female genital mutilation (FGM) is the partial or total removal of external female genitalia for non-medical reasons.
Prevent	Protecting children from the risk of radicalisation.

Designated Safeguarding Team at Nelson Academy



Sarah Wilson
Principal (DSL)



Gemma Sykes
EYFS & Pastoral Support (DDSL)



Glen Rossiter
Key Stage 1 & 2 Lead (DDSL)



Lisa Kenny
SENCO (DDSL)



Sophie Kelly
SRB Lead (DDSL)

If you have concerns about the welfare of any of our students, you must report this directly to one of the people above. All referrals will be fully investigated and appropriate action taken according to the Nelson Academy Safeguarding Policy. Whilst it is not possible to give specific feedback on any referrals made, we will endeavour to provide some feedback to anyone highlighting a safeguarding concern at Nelson Academy.

