



## **Child Protection and Safeguarding Policy for ACT and the following Academies:**

Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic Primary School  
Sacred Heart Catholic Primary School  
St Helen's Catholic Primary School  
Holy Family Catholic Primary School  
St Teresa's Catholic Primary School  
St Joseph's Catholic Primary School  
St George's Catholic Primary School  
Our Lady of Ransom Catholic Primary School  
St Thomas More High School

**This Child Protection and Safeguarding Policy has been approved and adopted by the Assisi Catholic Trust in July 2019 and reviewed in September 2020. This policy will be reviewed in September 2021.**

**Committee Responsible: Audit and Risk Committee**

Assisi Catholic Trust Mission Statement

*Our mission is to inspire the children in our care and that our schools place Christ and the teaching of the Catholic Church at the centre of all we do. We believe that every child has a right to educational excellence and we are committed in partnership to ensure this happens.*

Motto

*'Start doing what is necessary, then do what's possible and suddenly you are doing the impossible'*

## Safeguarding Statement

Assisi Catholic Trust recognise our moral and statutory responsibility to safeguard and promote the welfare of all pupils. We endeavour to provide a safe and welcoming environment where children are respected and valued. We are alert to the signs of abuse and neglect and follow our procedures to ensure that children receive effective support, protection and justice. Child protection forms part of the academy's safeguarding responsibilities.

### 1. Introduction

1.1. The Assisi Catholic Trust (ACT) takes seriously its responsibility under section 175 of the Education Act 2002 to safeguard and promote the welfare of children; and to work together with other agencies to ensure adequate arrangements within our ACT to identify, assess, and support those children who are suffering harm.

1.2 This policy applies to all members of staff, governors and directors in the ACT Academies.

1.3 Assisi Catholic Trust abides by the SET Policy and procedures on Child Protection and Safeguarding updated October 2019. It is available on the link  
<https://www.escb.co.uk/media/2077/set-procedures-oct-2019.pdf>

This document lists the updated chapters and any impact on practice.

<https://www.escb.co.uk/media/2078/list-of-changes-in-set-procedures-oct-2019.pdf>

1.4 Each individual school has their own version of this policy on their school website, containing all relevant information.

Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic Primary School

[Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic Primary School - Policies \(olol.co.uk\)](http://olol.co.uk)

Sacred Heart Catholic Primary School

[Policies | Sacred Heart Catholic Primary School \(shs-southend.co.uk\)](http://shs-southend.co.uk)



St Helen's Catholic Primary School

[St. Helen's Catholic Primary School :: Policies and information \(st-helens.southend.sch.uk\)](http://st-helens.southend.sch.uk)

Holy Family Catholic Primary School

[Holy Family Catholic Primary School - Ofsted Policies](#)

St Teresa's Catholic Primary School

[St Teresa's Catholic Primary School - Policy Documents \(strcs.net\)](http://strcs.net)

St Joseph's Catholic Primary School

<https://sites.google.com/stjosephscanvey.net/stjosephscatholicprimarycanvey/about-us/school-policies>

St George's Catholic Primary School

[Policies | St George's Catholic Primary School \(sgcps.co.uk\)](http://sgcps.co.uk)

Our Lady of Ransom Catholic Primary School

[OLOR Website - Policy Documents \(olorcps.net\)](http://olorcps.net)

St Thomas More High School

<http://www.st-thomasmore.southend.sch.uk/uploads/documents/policies/school/safeguarding-and-child-protection-policy.pdf>