## **Safeguarding Statement**

St Gilbert's of Sempringham C of E Primary School is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and expects all staff, governors and volunteers to share this commitment.

We have a number of policies and procedures in place that contribute to our safeguarding commitment, including our Safeguarding and Child Protection Policy which can be viewed in the Policies section of our website.

We listen to our pupils and take seriously what they tell us. All school staff are trained in Child Protection, and children are made aware of the adults they can talk to if they have any concerns. Staff are trained to look out for signs of physical/emotional harm or neglect and are required to report these to the Designated Safeguarding Lead (DSL).

Sometimes we may need to share information and work in partnership with other agencies when there are concerns about a child's welfare. We will ensure that our concerns about our pupils are discussed with his/her parents/carers first unless we have reason to believe that such a move would be contrary to the child's welfare.

Any concerns which visitors have should be reported to the designated personnel:

Our Designated Safeguarding Lead (DSL) is **Sophie Foston** (Interim Executive Headteacher)

Our Deputy DSLs are: **Sarah Gray**(Acting Assistant Headteacher)

Sarah Ogden (Acting SENDCo)

Our School Governors with a safeguarding responsibility are:

Matt Timings (Chair of Governors/ Safeguarding Governor)