Safeguarding Key Points

Definitions

- 1. protecting children from maltreatment; (aka child protection)
- 2. preventing impairment of children's health or development; (aka supporting vulnerable children)
- 3. ensuring that children grow up with the provision of safe and effective care;
- 4. taking action to enable all children to have the best outcomes.

Systems

- 1. Child Protection Policy and Code of conduct
- 2. Ethos and DSL
- 3. Safer Recruitment & Staff Training (everyone must read Part 1 of KCSIE and Annex A)
- 4. Safer Perimeter
- 5. Curriculum (esp PSHE) to enable better judgement of risks and taking appropriate actions to stay safe

Responsibilities

- 1. work with social care, the police & health services to promote the welfare of children and protect them from harm.
- 2. provide a safe environment in which children can learn.
- 3. identify children who may be in need of extra help or who are suffering, or are likely to suffer, significant harm
- then take appropriate action, working with other services as needed.
- 5. be aware of the signs of abuse and neglect (Recognise, Record & Respond but don't Investigate or Resolve)

Types of Abuse (Maltreatment):

- 1. Physical Abuse
- Emotional Abuse
- Sexual Abuse
- 4. Neglect

Every Child Matters Outcomes

- 1. Stay safe
- 2. Be healthy
- 3. Enjoy & Achieve
- 4. Make a positive contribution
- 5. Achieve economic well being

Threshold Levels

- 1. Universal
- 2. Vulnerable: disadvantaged children who would benefit from extra help
- 3. Complex: unlikely to maintain satisfactory development (ie Children in need)
- 4. Acute: at risk of significant harm

Ofsted Three Core Areas

- 1. Identify: are staff identifying the right children and how do they do that?
- 2. Help: what timely action do staff take & how well do they work with other agencies?
- 3. Manage: how do staff manage their statutory responsibilities

Specific Safeguarding Issues

- 1. CSE (Child Sexual Exploitation)
- 2. Bullying
- 3. Domestic violence
- 4. Drugs
- Fabricated illness
- 6. Faith Abuse
- 7. FGM (Female Genital Mutilation)
- 8. Forced marriage
- 9. Gangs & youth violence
- 10. VAWG (violence against women and girls)
- 11. Mental Health
- 12. Private fostering
- 13. Radicalisation (the PREVENT duty)
- 14. Sexting
- 15. Teenage relationship abuse
- 16. Trafficking
- 17. Children missing from education (CME)