# Head teachers Safeguarding report – End of year Report 2023/2024.

# S Humphries – Pastoral Lead and Designated Safeguarding Lead

**Summary of provision.**

Pastoral department comprises the following provisions.

Pastoral and Wellbeing room – Housing of heads of year and pastoral assistants who operate programmes and communicate with parents regarding wellbeing and safeguarding of pupils.

Caredig – Nurture room where pupils are referred for nurture, mental health and ELSA sessions. Pupils are also housed here when they have dropped subjects in agreement with parental consent.

Pupil Inclusion centre – An offsite provision which provides an alternative to exclusion, manned by PSAs and Heads of Year on a ROTA.

Alternative curriculum provision Motor Vehicle alternative curriculum – in collaboration with Leap to Learn in Moriston Swansea.

Work related Education – Bespoke provision for pupils who want to go into more work orientated education.

Two members of staff have been seconded into heads of year roles : These are Head of year 10 and Head of year 8

**Note from the Pastoral Lead**

This will be my last safeguarding report before I retire in July. I would like to take the opportunity to thank the governors for their support during my time at Cefn Saeson and in particular to thank Councillor Peter Rees for his support as Safeguarding Governor.

I am sure you will agree that Mrs Morris is an excellent replacement for me and I know that you show her the same high level of support that you have shown me over the years.

Sian Humphries.

**Safeguarding**

Governors safeguarding training has not yet been completed and must be completed as a matter of urgency as we are now out of compliance.

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|  | **End of year** |
| Number of single point of contact referrals  | 52 |
| Number of pupils on child protection register – Section 47 investigations | 1 |
| Number of child protection conferences | 2 |
| Number of Children on Care and Support plans | 5 |
| Number of reports provided to Care & Support meeting | 5 |
| Number of pupils under CSE Strategy meetings  | 2 |
| Number of pupils CLA (Child looked After) | 15 |
| number of CLA Meeting reports  | 10 |

**Safeguarding incidents and reports in the Spring term**

**Data Table for Safeguarding incidents**

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| **Catergory** | **Unique pupils** | **Issues** |
| Abuse | 2 | 2 |
| Alcohol/Drug Misuse (child/within family) | 12 | 12 |
| Bereavement | 2 | 2 |
| Bullying including Cyberbullying | 70 | 81 |
| Child sexual exploitation (CSE) | 9 | 11 |
| Children missing education | 4 | 5 |
| Concern (expressed by peers/teachers/external agency) | 59 | 73 |
| Concerns re pattern of absence | 10 | 16 |
| Contextualised Risk / Community concerns | 1 | 1 |
| Criminal activity (parent/child/siblings) | 1 | 1 |
| Dangerous games | 4 | 4 |
| Domestic violence | 3 | 3 |
| Drugs | 6 | 10 |
| Educational PPN/MARAC notice | 50 | 71 |
| Emotional abuse | 1 | 1 |
| Extreme behaviour presented | 10 | 10 |
| Financial concerns | 3 | 3 |
| Gangs and youth violence | 4 | 5 |
| General poor behaviour | 16 | 17 |
| Homophobic bullying | 7 | 9 |
| Illness (in family) | 1 | 1 |
| Inappropriate or Abusive communication with parent | 4 | 4 |
| Learning Leader Only - Pastoral Information | 1 | 2 |
| Looked After | 1 | 1 |
| Medical (student) | 3 | 3 |
| Meeting Log | 1 | 1 |
| Mental health | 22 | 30 |
| Neglect | 9 | 11 |
| Other | 52 | 70 |
| PPN Information | 1 | 1 |
| PPN Received | 2 | 4 |
| Parental issues | 6 | 6 |
| Physical abuse | 6 | 6 |
| Pupils in toilet together | 3 | 3 |
| Racist Incident report | 47 | 60 |
| Relationship abuse | 1 | 1 |
| Self harm | 33 | 39 |
| Sexting | 9 | 9 |
| Sexual Abuse Adult on child | 1 | 1 |
| Sexual Assault | 14 | 14 |
| Sexual harrasment | 16 | 17 |
| Sexualised behaviour/language | 48 | 64 |
| Suicidal Thoughts | 19 | 26 |
| Suicidal plan | 3 | 3 |
| Transphobic bullying | 6 | 7 |
| Vaping or Smoking on Site | 6 | 6 |
| Verbal Abuse - Peer on Peer | 34 | 40 |
| Verbal Abuse Pupil - Teacher | 19 | 20 |
| parental phone call by staff - For information only | 1 | 1 |
| photographing with out permission | 11 | 11 |
| physical Assault Peer on Peer | 54 | 82 |
| police notice received | 7 | 7 |
| professional allegation | 4 | 1 |
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| Total | 356 | 950 |

**Wellbeing and lesson attendance.**

One high level behavioural pupil has gained a place in Velindre Special school and will be starting after Easter.

We now have 2 pupils on work experience at various work placements. Most are in Work placement for 4 days per week and then in education for Maths, English and one option. These provisions are going very well and pupils and parents are happy to continue.

One pupil in year 9 and 2 pupils in year 8 is now attending leap to learn mechanical engineering course which is happening on Monday, Wednesday and Friday and the pupil attends school on Tuesday and Thursday for academics and pastoral support.

New Pastoral groups have been started to allow pupils with social difficulties a chance to socialise and build friendship groups. A hair and beauty group has started in year 7 to try to engage a particularly difficult group of girls in school.

**General behaviours for year**

**Specific behavioural incidents.**

There has been an increase in behaviours that necessitate contact with the Police via 101. This includes inappropriate sexual behaviours and physical assaults. There has recently been a very concerning report of very nasty videos being put into whats app and Snap chat apps which police believe are very graphic videos of torture and death. A safeguarding warning has been issued to parents from the school asking them to check pupils phones to ensure that their children are not viewing what are horrific videos.

Racism – There have been 60 racist incidents involving 47 different pupils in the school. Most of the racist incidents appear to be in the KS3 cohort particularly year 7. All pupils are given a day in the Pupil inclusion unit to complete the show racism the red card programme. All pupils are then monitored and further action is taken if needed.

Action : Pastoral to make Anti-Racist PSE a priority in the new school year.

Bullying - there have been 81 bullying incidents this year, including both physical and cyber bullying. All incidents are dealt with on a case by case basis and a decision is made by head of year and pastoral lead regarding which of the level 5 consequences are put into place. There have been 6 Cases of Transphobic bullying and 9 cases of Homophobic bullying.

Action: Pastoral to make bullying the focus of assemblies by Heads of year in the first term in the new academic year.

Police notices received. There have been 71 PPN notices received since September most involving either MISPER events or Domestic violence within the household.