

Myth Busters for Safeguarding!

What parents

have said to us:

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The truth:

The Trust's main priority is keeping your child safe. There are many aspects that 'Safeguarding' covers including: Online safety, fire drills, non-attendance, lockdown practices, road safety. If we talk about safeguarding, it doesn't always mean social services are involved.

A safeguarding referral is about accessing the best for support the family and child.

EHA and TAC are voluntarily and family-led. They are about supporting the family.

School will direct you to the most appropriate form of support.

Not at all! We all know parenting is hard work. Parents who have completed the course always come back with really positive feedback, for example, 'I realised it was about changing my behaviour rather than trying to change my child's behaviour'