

Child Protection Policy

Direct Supply Teachers is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children. All of our candidates are expected to share this commitment and be fully aware of the importance of child protection. The 'Every Child Matters' agenda has highlighted five areas to be addressed by the school, which are vital to a child's wellbeing and development:

- 1) Stay safe
- 2) Achieve economic wellbeing
- 3) Enjoy and achieve
- 4) Be healthy
- 5) Make a positive contribution

Direct Supply Teachers adhere to all policies issued by the Department for Education, including 'Keeping Children Safe in Education, Information for all Schools and College Staff 2014' and 'Keeping Children Safe in Education, Childcare Disqualification requirements- supplementary advice.'

All candidates working through Direct Supply Teachers are expected to keep children safe by contributing to:

- Providing a safe learning environment
- Identifying children who are suffering or likely to suffer significant harm and taking the appropriate action with the aim of making sure they are kept safe at home and in the education setting
- Making a note and reporting to the designated member of staff any major incident, or signals which give cause for suspicion or concern. It is the candidate's responsibility to adhere to the specific guidelines set out in each school's Child Protection Policy.
- Under no circumstance should a candidate intervene on his or her own. Thames Teachers wishes to inform all candidates of the position outlined in the 1996 Education Act that any form of physical contact with a child in the form of corporal punishment is prohibited. Failure to comply will result in your registration with agency terminated.

I agree to follow these child protection policies as outlined above.

Name of Temporary Worker:	_Date:
Signature:	_

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