

## One Minute Guide

# No.30 KCSiE 2019 – the changes

### WHATS NEW FOR KCSiE 2019

There certainly haven't been as many changes to KCSiE as in previous years, the main changes are identified below. (For a summary of all changes refer to KCSiE 2019, Annex H: Table of substantive changes from September 2018). There have been no changes to PARTS FOUR and FIVE and ANNEXES B, D, E, F, G.

**KCSiE 2019** assumes that the new three safeguarding partner arrangements are in place. (Devon have already moved from having a Local Safeguarding Board to the Devon Children and Families Partnership.)

**PART ONE:** the content has remained largely the same, some paragraphs have been moved around to improve the flow of the section. Information about abuse, neglect and safeguarding issues have been moved to the "What school and college staff should look out for" section. Reference to upskirting has now been included along with new paragraphs on serious violence.

**PART TWO:** paragraphs have been altered to recognise that school management and especially their DSL's need to be aware of and follow their new local arrangements for safeguarding. There is also removal of reference to the School Inspection Service as they no longer inspect independent schools. Reference is made to the new requirements for Relationships Education, Relationships and Sex Education and Health Education.

**PART THREE:** Clarity around S128 checks for school governors (maintained schools and associate members) has been included as well as further information about overseas trained teachers, directing school management to GOV.uk. There is clarification on when the legal duty to refer (to the DBS) applies for existing staff.

**ANNEX A:** FGM and Forced Marriage have been included in section headers to clearly identify content and further information has been added about upskirting.

**ANNEX C:** A link to departmental guidance on teaching online safety has been added.

### **Keeping Children Safe in Education (KCSiE) is the statutory guidance for schools and colleges on safeguarding children and safer recruitment.**

This government guidance applies to all schools and is for: headteachers, teachers and staff governing bodies, proprietors and management committees

It sets out the legal duties you must follow to safeguard and promote the welfare of children and young people under the age of 18 in schools and colleges.

All school and college staff should read [Part 1](#) of this guidance, which is also available as a standalone document.

**A NEW VERSION ON [KEEPING CHILDREN SAFE IN EDUCATION](#) WAS PUBLISHED ON SEPTEMBER 2ND 2019. This version replaces all other KCSiE documentation.**

## **PART ONE in more detail:**

### **Peer on peer abuse**

27. All staff should be aware that children can abuse other children (often referred to as peer on peer abuse). This is most likely to include, but may not be limited to...

- upskirting, which typically involves taking a picture under a person's clothing without them knowing, with the intention of viewing their genitals or buttocks to obtain sexual gratification, or cause the victim humiliation, distress or alarm;

### **Serious violence**

29. All staff should be aware of indicators, which may signal that children are at risk from, or are involved with serious violent crime. These may include increased absence from school, a change in friendships or relationships with older individuals or groups, a significant decline in performance, signs of self-harm or a significant change in wellbeing, or signs of assault or unexplained injuries. Unexplained gifts or new possessions could also indicate that children have been approached by, or are involved with, individuals associated with criminal networks or gangs.

30. All staff should be aware of the associated risks and understand the measures in place to manage these. Advice for schools and colleges is provided in the Home Office's Preventing youth violence and gang involvement and its Criminal exploitation of children and vulnerable adults: county lines guidance.

Excerpts taken from KCSiE 2019 Part One

## **SCHOOLS NEED TO ENSURE THAT:**

### **KCSiE 2019 is read by**

- governing bodies of maintained schools (including maintained nursery schools) and colleges;
- proprietors of independent schools (including academies, free schools and alternative provision academies) and non-maintained special schools. In the case of academies, free schools and alternative provision academies, the proprietor will be the academy trust; and
- management committees of pupil referral units (PRUs).

All staff in school or college should read at least Part One of KCSiE 2019. School and college leaders and those staff who work directly with children should also read Annex A. We would recommend that those staff read Part Five. (School should record all staff have read KCSiE 2019, possibly on the SCR.)

The Safeguarding Policy and all related policies are updated to reflect Keeping Children Safe in Education 2019 changes.

Advise staff of the changes to KCSiE 2019 and, as a result, the changes to the Safeguarding Policy and other related policies (i.e. new paragraphs on Upskirting and Serious Violence.)

School induction processes and policies are updated to reflect KCSiE 2019