**Difficult safeguarding issues that Ofsted ask us to bring to your attention.**Our friends at Ofsted have comprehensive experience of safeguarding issues, in schools all over the country. Sometimes there are issues that it is difficult to accept will happen to children. All too often we hear ‘horror’ stories of schools and agencies failing individual children; and we all need to be very aware and informed, in order to stop this happening.

**Please check out these ‘easy to read’ articles about safeguarding issues that are currently being highlighted by Ofsted. They affect all areas of our country and all kinds of communities. They can also be used to see sources of help.**

**Thank you for taking the time**. Mrs Thorpe (Designated Safeguarding Lead officer.)

* **Child sexual exploitation**

[**http://www.nspcc.org.uk/preventing-abuse/child-abuse-and-neglect/child-sexual-exploitation/what-is-child-sexual-exploitation/**](http://www.nspcc.org.uk/preventing-abuse/child-abuse-and-neglect/child-sexual-exploitation/what-is-child-sexual-exploitation/)

* **Domestic violence**

[**http://www.nationaldomesticviolencehelpline.org.uk/**](http://www.nationaldomesticviolencehelpline.org.uk/)

* **Female genital mutilation; what is it and what to do**

[**http://www.nhs.uk/conditions/female-genital-mutilation/Pages/introduction.aspx**](http://www.nhs.uk/conditions/female-genital-mutilation/Pages/introduction.aspx)

* **Gender based equality & gender violence**[**http://www.equalitynow.org/?gclid=CNerq7\_T9scCFVG6GwodJT0CJg**](http://www.equalitynow.org/?gclid=CNerq7_T9scCFVG6GwodJT0CJg)
* **Forced marriage issues and support** [**https://www.gov.uk/stop-forced-marriage**](https://www.gov.uk/stop-forced-marriage)
* **Substance misuse - signposting and support** [**http://www.nta.nhs.uk/**](http://www.nta.nhs.uk/)
* **Fabricated/induced illness;** [**http://www.nhs.uk/conditions/Fabricated-or-induced-illness/Pages/Introduction.aspx**](http://www.nhs.uk/conditions/Fabricated-or-induced-illness/Pages/Introduction.aspx)
* **Unsafe internet use** [**https://www.childline.org.uk/Explore/OnlineSafety/Pages/OnlineSafety.aspx**](https://www.childline.org.uk/Explore/OnlineSafety/Pages/OnlineSafety.aspx)

**‘Sexting’**

Click here for advice for parents from partners at the NSPCC about sexting and related issues.
<https://www.nspcc.org.uk/preventing-abuse/keeping-children-safe/sexting/>

**Child trafficking and modern slavery**Click here for advice for parents from partners at the NSPCC about child trafficking and modern slavery issues.<https://www.nspcc.org.uk/preventing-abuse/child-abuse-and-neglect/child-trafficking/?_t_id=1B2M2Y8AsgTpgAmY7PhCfg%3d%3d&_t_q=cvhild+trafficking+and+modern+slavery&_t_tags=language%3aen%2csiteid%3a7f1b9313-bf5e-4415-abf6-aaf87298c667&_t_ip=85.92.185.196&_t_hit.id=Nspcc_Web_Models_Pages_TopicPage/_36ed4c7b-9bf9-4b71-bea4-75ce49ee4f74_en-GB&_t_hit.pos=1>