Safeguarding Statement

#### Safeguarding Learners Statement

*Peregrinate Ltd. is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of our learners and expects all staff and volunteers to share this commitment.*

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* Peregrinate Ltd. is a safe place for learners, where our responsibilities for safeguarding learners are taken seriously.
* Through our curriculum, learning and teaching, we teach our learners about personal safety, and how to keep themselves safe from harm and through the fundamental promotion of British values.
* There is a strong anti-bullying ethos evident throughout the organisationl. We teach our learners how to recognise bullying, how to keep themselves safe from bullying behaviour and how to report it. We listen to our learners.
* Our curriculum includes opportunities to discuss feelings and emotions, and helps our learners to think about their own personal safety and their rights as individuals to be kept safe from harm.
* We teach our learners about the uses and misuses of drugs, including legal highs, at an age appropriate time and level.
* Our sex education programme teaches our learners about keeping themselves safe from harm, at an age appropriate level.
* We have clear guidance to help learners to use the internet (including social media) safely and have appropriate filters in place to prevent pupils accessing inappropriate materials.
* Our policies and agreed practices for child protection, health and safety, behaviour management, attendance and looked after learners all comply with the recommendations for safeguarding learners at school. We have a trained designated safeguarding lead and deputy, and designated stakeholders with responsibility for safeguarding at the school.
* We have policies to manage potential allegations against staff, whistleblowing and the use of physical intervention. A list of the policies which support this statement is detailed below.
* Our staff recruitment policies and practices are rigorous and comply with safe recruitment and selection requirements. We always pursue identity checks and qualification checks and we take up and scrutinise written references before confirming employment.
* We require clearance from the Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS) before employing any staff, in addition to pursuing List 99 checks.
* All voluntary helpers, supply teachers, agency staff, and outside club and coaching staff are required to provide evidence of DBS clearance.
* It is the responsibility of every adult in this organisation to ensure that we maintain the highest level of awareness about possible unsafe practices and deal with any issues immediately and appropriately.

References – ‘*Working Together to Safeguard Learners’ (2015)* ‘*Keeping Learners Safe in Education’ (2015)*

Policies which support the Safeguarding Statement:

* Safeguarding and Child Protection Policy
* Promoting Good Behaviour Policy
* Special Consideration Policy
* Complaints Procedure
* Code of Conduct and Whistleblowing
* Emergency Management Plan
* Equality and Diversity Policy
* Anti-bullying Policy
* Site Security Policy
* Safer Recruitment Policy
* Drug and Alcohol Policy
* Internet Conditions of Use
* Trips and Visits Practice & Procedures
* Visitors to School Screening Procedures