Nenagh Special Summer Camp
Help Our Children Play



Child Protection Policy Statement

Nenagh Special Summer Camp believes that it is always unacceptable for a child or young person to experience abuse of any kind and recognizes its responsibility to safeguard the welfare of all children and young people, by a commitment to practice which protects them.

We recognize that:

- the welfare of the child/young person is paramount
- all children, regardless of age, disability, gender, racial heritage, religious belief, sexual orientation or identity, have the right to equal protection from all types of harm or abuse
- working in partnership with children, young people, their parents, careers and their agencies is essential in promoting young people's welfare.

The purpose of the policy:

- To provide protection for the children and young people who receive Nenagh Special Summer Camp services, including the children of adult members of users.
- To provide staff and volunteers with guidance on procedures they should adopt if they suspect a child, or young person may be experiencing, or be at risk of harm.

This policy applies to all Leaders and Helpers and board of trustees, volunteers and sessional workers, students or anyone working on behalf of Nenagh Special Summer Camp.

We will seek to safeguard children and young people by:

- valuing them, listening to and respecting them
- adopting child protection guidelines through procedures and a code of conduct for staff and volunteers
- recruiting volunteers safely, ensuring all necessary checks are made
- sharing information about child protection and good practice with children, parents and volunteers
- sharing information about concerns with agencies who need to know, and involving parents and children appropriately
- providing effective guidelines for volunteers through supervision, support and training.

We are committed to reviewing our policy and good practice annually.