

# Child Safe Officers

*Victory Lutheran College has zero tolerance for child abuse and is committed to the protection of all children from all forms of child abuse.*

ENRICH - LEADER - CHAMPION - STRENGTHEN - EMPOWER - GROW

## Our Child Safe Officers – Who do I talk to?

Victory Lutheran College has appointed the people listed below as the College's Child Safe Officers. Each Child Safe Officer is available to answer any questions that you may have with respect to our Child Protection and Safety Policy and the Child Protection Program.

The College's Child Safe Officers are your first point of contact for reporting child protection issues within the College. They receive special training that allows them to deal with child protection concerns both sensitively and effectively.

### 'Child Abuse' includes:

- sexual offences;
- grooming;
- physical violence;
- serious emotional or psychological harm;
- serious neglect;
- family violence, or exposure to family violence.

If you have any concern that a child may be experiencing any form of abuse, whether or not you have formed a belief on reasonable grounds that the abuse has occurred, you should immediately raise your concerns with one of our Child Safe Officers.

### These Child Safe Officers can be contacted: -

- In Person;
- Calling College Reception on 02 6057 5859 and requesting to speak to an officer;
- Emailing the officer at [MySafety@VLC.vic.edu.au](mailto:MySafety@VLC.vic.edu.au)

The welfare and best interests of the child are paramount. Whenever there are concerns that a child is in immediate danger the Police should be called on 000



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Principal



**Gary Harding**  
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Primary  
Anson



**Tim Hartwich**  
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**Kathryn McAuliffe**  
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