



# Blackfen School for Girls

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## SCHOOL STATEMENT (20 July 2023)

The safety and wellbeing of our students is our primary concern.

The school is aware of the recent Teaching Regulation Agency hearing for Mr Olanipekun and the proven allegations in the report.

Mr Olanipekun was employed as a teacher at Blackfen school from 2015 before being dismissed by the school in 2019 following safeguarding concerns.

The concerns were dealt with under the school's safeguarding policies and procedures and all the necessary processes were followed.

The school has worked diligently since 2019 to continue to embed safeguarding as of the most upmost importance in the work of the school.

As outlined in the report, safeguarding training for all staff is arranged annually in addition to updates during the year.

We have been in contact with parents and pupils following the hearing.

Yours sincerely,

**Matthew Brown**  
**Head Teacher**