

Tuesday, 27<sup>th</sup> March 2018

Dear Parents and Carers,

### **NSPCC assemblies and fund raising event**

The NSPCC's 'Speak out. Stay safe.' programme is visiting our school to make sure our pupils have the knowledge and understanding they need to stay safe from abuse.

This is a nationwide programme for every primary-school-aged child in the UK and Channel Islands. With the help of their friendly mascot Buddy, they will be presenting an assembly to the pupils in our school on Monday, 16<sup>th</sup> April, as well as a workshop for Years 5 and 6 on Wednesday, 23<sup>rd</sup> May.

### **What is the Speak out. Stay safe. programme?**

Through child-friendly, interactive assemblies and workshops their specially trained staff and volunteers will give our pupils information about how to keep themselves safe from harm and how to get help if they have any worries, sensitively discussing issues like bullying and sexual abuse, without using scary words or adult language. By the end of their visit, will feel empowered – knowing how they can speak out and stay safe.

### **Talking about the Underwear Rule with your pupils**

The NSPCC's work in schools will help encourage conversations about staying safe – and they have a number of child-friendly materials to help you carry on the conversation afterwards. That includes 'The Underwear Rule', a simple way for parents to help keep pupils safe from sexual abuse – without using scary words or even mentioning sex. The guide uses the rules of PANTS to teach pupils that their body belongs to them and them alone. You can find out more and download the free resources at [nspcc.org.uk/pants](http://nspcc.org.uk/pants)

To help support the work of the NSPCC, we hope to raise and donate a generous amount of money to this worthwhile cause. On Friday, 20<sup>th</sup> April the pupils are asked to come into school wearing 'bright colours', which is this year's theme. Please encourage them to be as imaginative as they can, as a prize will be awarded to one child in each form. We kindly request that you send your child to school with a £1 donation in support of this event

As part of this, as well as an assembly for the pupils, the NSPCC volunteers are running a workshop for parents on Monday, 16<sup>th</sup> April to allow you to gain an understanding of how to stay safe online. The hour-long workshop will help parents and carers understand their child's online world and build confidence to have those important conversations that can help keep children safe online. This will run from 3pm-4pm in the main hall, your children will be looked after in the KS1 building by myself until this finishes. The workshop requires at least 20 parents to attend, therefore, please complete the slip below if you are interested.

Many thanks for your continued support.

Yours sincerely,

*K. Presho*

Miss K Presho  
Acting Deputy Head of Primary Phase



Please detach, complete and return this form to your child's form teacher by Thursday, 29<sup>th</sup> March should you wish to attend.

**Primary Phase NSPCC workshop for parents, Monday, 16<sup>th</sup> April**

Name of pupil..... Class.....

I/We would like to attend the Phonics Screening Workshop on Monday, 16<sup>th</sup> April

Number attending.....

Signature (parent/guardian) ..... Date .....