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Dear Parent/Guardian

RE: NSPCC's - Speak Out Stay Safe - programme

I am pleased to tell you that we are once again all our pupils will be participating in the NSPCC's **Speak Out Stay Safe** programme. This will begin with two assemblies this Friday 5th of May. One for KS1 P1 to P4, and one for KS2 P5 to P7. These will support our classroom-based activities.

Speak Out Stay Safe is a safeguarding programme available to all primary schools in the UK and Channel Islands. It aims to help children understand abuse in all its forms and to recognise the signs of abuse in a child friendly way. Children are taught to speak out if they are worried, either to a trusted adult or Childline.

In our assembly, the **Speak Out Stay Safe** messages are delivered in a fun and interactive way through a video with the help of the NSPCC mascot Buddy as well as special guest appearances from Ant and Dec. We have studied the content of the materials and are confident it is appropriate for primary-school-aged children. By the end of the programme, we believe the children will know how to speak out and stay safe. If you would like to know more about the **Speak Out Stay Safe** programme or our assembly you can find information on the NSPCC website www.nspcc.org.uk/speakout

You can view the slides we will be using in both presentations by clicking this link. <https://www.stpatricksmullinahoe.co.uk/documentlink/211/?open=true>

If you have any issue with the assembly or the presentation please contact me directly jcanavan396@c2kni.net.

Additional Resources

Adapted Assembly For Home Use

The NSPCC has also developed an adapted version of their assembly for parents/carers to use at home with their children. This can be found here:

www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/support-for-parents/safety

With the help of celebrities, the resource focuses on how a child can get support if they have any worries or concerns. To complement the assembly, there are some resources that can be used to enable further discussion whilst doing activities with your children.

These are hosted on the NSPCC website www.nspcc.org.uk/activities



Online Safety Hub

You may also like to visit the NSPCC Online Safety Hub where you will find advice and information on a range of different online safety topics including gaming, social media, sharing nudes, parental controls and more. You will also find online safety information for families of children with additional needs and disabilities.

We have worked with *Ambitious about Autism* and parents and carers who have children with additional needs and disabilities to create activities to help talk about online safety which you can find at www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/online-safety/online-safety-families-children-with-send

Childline Under 12's Website

Childline also have a website with age appropriate advice for primary school children with games and other interactive tools. Your child can visit it at www.childline.org.uk/kids

If you'd like to know more about the NSPCC's work, or take a look at the wide range of information and advice which is available for parents and carers, please visit their website www.nspcc.org.uk/parents

Talking PANTS with your children

Talk PANTS is a simple conversation to help keep your child safe from sexual abuse. From P through to S, each letter of PANTS provides a simple but valuable rule that can help keep your child safe. You can find out more and download the free resources at www.nspcc.org.uk/pants

Penguin and Ladybird have partnered with the NSPCC to create a brand new Pantosaurus book aimed at children ages 4 - 8. You can find copies of the new book on sale, either in Matalan's selected stores and online, selected SPAR stores or at <https://shop.nspcc.org.uk/>

All profits from the sale of this book will support the NSPCC.

Support the NSPCC

You may be interested in the NSPCC's new selection of BUDDY goodies available from the NSPCC shop at <https://shop.nspcc.org.uk/collections/buddy> which make perfect gifts for children - and all profits go to help keep children safe.

Yours sincerely,



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