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Friday 8th November

NSPCC Assemblies and workshops

Dear Parent/Carer

NSPCC's Speak out. Stay safe. programme

I am pleased to inform you that we are participating in the **NSPCC's Speak out. Stay safe.** Programme this term. *Speak out. Stay safe.* is a programme for children aged 5-11 which aims to help children understand abuse in all its forms and to recognise the signs of abuse. Children are taught to speak out if they are worried, either to a safe adult or Childline.

This child friendly programme is aligned with the curriculum and consists of age appropriate virtual assemblies and supporting classroom based activities which we have reviewed, alongside NSPCC volunteer led face to face workshops for children aged 6-7 (Y2) and 9-11 (Y5 and Y6). The content is delivered in an engaging and interactive way with the help of the NSPCC mascot Buddy.

Parents and carers are asked to let school know if their child may have experienced anything (in the past or happening now) which may mean they need extra support before, during or after taking part in this programme.

If you would like to know more about the *Speak out. Stay safe.* programme visit <u>www.nspcc.org.uk/speakout</u>.

Additional NSPCC resources for families to help keep children safe

The NSPCC have shared some important information below on wider NSPCC resources and support to help keep children safe.

Parent/Carer support	Activities to extend learning at home
Take a look at information, support, advice and	Take part in games and activities at home to help children
activities from NSPCC for parent and carers.	learn about speaking out and staying safe.
www.nspcc.org.uk/parents	www.nspcc.org.uk/activities

Online Safety Hub	Childline – under 12's
For information on a range of different online	Childline have an accessible website with advice, support,
safety topics including gaming, social media,	games and activities. Children can change the language,
sharing images, parental controls and more.	enlarge text and also listen to the content.
www.nspcc.org.uk/onlinesafety	www.childline.org.uk/buddy (5-7)
	www.childline.org.uk/kids (7-11)



Talk PANTS with your children

Talk PANTS is a simple conversation to help keep children safe from sexual abuse. From P through to S, each letter of PANTS provides simple but important messages. Download the free resources at <u>www.nspcc.org.uk/pants.</u>

I hope you find this information about the NSPCC and the *Speak out. Stay safe.* programme helpful. Please do contact me if you have any further questions.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs Davis

