



Safeguarding Newsletter Spring 2016

We take safeguarding very seriously and together we can work together to keep children safe. I have put together lots of information in one Newsletter so that you can keep it for reference. I realise that some of the information is more suited to older children but as many of you have children in secondary school I thought it might be useful.

Education Against Hate Website launched:

It offers practical advice and information for parents about extremism and radicalisation. It includes information on:

- Warning signs
- How parents should talk to children about extremism
- Steps concerned parents can take.

The website has advice regarding preventing all forms of extremism including, for example, far-right views.

<http://www.educateagainsthate.com/>

Sexting

As more and more children have access to the internet in their bedrooms and more children have smart phones and tablets 'Sexting', the taking of naked or sexually provocative images and posting them on social media sites or texting them, is growing amongst the under 13's.

Listed below are websites to support parents in dealing with this growing issue. In school we have leaflets and guides to give further help and support. Please ask.

<https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/parents/>

<http://www.saferinternet.org.uk/ufiles/A-Parents-Guide-to-Dealing-with-Sexting-26SEP13.pdf>

To help parents understand, prevent and respond to Cyber bullying Childnet has launched a new website: www.childnet.com/parents-and-carers.

Online safety

We continually work with the children to equip them with valuable knowledge and skills to help keep themselves safe when on line. In school we have appropriate filters in place to prevent children from accessing harmful content via the school's internet. I know many of you have concerns about what children can access outside school. To assist parents the government has announced a package of measures to help keep children safe online.

Listed below are websites that you may find useful:

- <https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/parents/>
- <https://www.google.co.uk/safetycenter/families/legends/>

Together we can fight to keep children safe. If you require any further information please contact Mrs Fox, Designated Safeguarding Lead in School or alternatively contact PC Neil Hopwell from the Safer Neighbourhood Team who is happy to give lots of practical advice to parents around on line safety and the law.

For more practical advice on keeping children safe and direct links to websites look on the school website. You will find all the latest information on our safeguarding page. If you cannot find what you are looking for please contact school.

If you have concerns about a child or you see something report it to school or Call Derbyshire (open Monday – Friday from 8am-8pm and Saturday 9.30am-4pm) 01629 533190. Alternatively go onto http://www.derbyshirescb.org.uk/reporting_concerns.html for more advice.