

Chipstead Valley Primary School Safeguarding Newsletter- Summer 2

Children's Well-being and Safety Event

At CVPS, we hosted our first safeguarding event for parents, which included information about how we safeguard children. We also provided parents with E-Safety advice and information about our mental health teaching. The parents who attended the event provided us with extremely positive feedback and we will be looking to give parents more information in this way.



Summer Safety

Visit the following websites for more information and fun activities that you can share with your children to help keep them safe over the summer holidays.



Sun safety

Whether you're heading to the beach, playing in the park or out in your own garden, it's really important to think about sun protection for all the family – especially young children. This website gives you top tips on sun safety for children and makes sure everyone enjoys the sun safely.

www.bbc.co.uk/cbeebies/watch/sun-safetyfor-kids

Water safety

The Royal Life Saving Society UK report that drowning is the third highest cause of accidental death of children in the UK and that a person can drown in as little as 2cm of water. Hot weather can make rivers, lakes and paddling pools more appealing for children and families – make sure you know how to teach your child to be safe when cooling off and playing this Summer.

www.rlss.org.uk/water-safety



Keeping Safe Week

During the week commencing 8th July, we hosted another 'Keeping Safe' week in partnership with the NSPCC. The week focused on three key topics: NSPCC PANTS, Staying Safe Away From Home and Online safety

PANTS

Children across the school enjoyed watching the Pantasaurus video. This led to important discussions about keeping our bodies safe and speaking out if we feel worried about this. Each class thought who they would speak to if they needed to have a conversation with a trusted adult.



Staying Safe Away From Home

Children across the school discussed the importance of 'stranger awareness'. In age appropriate ways, they thought about what they would do if they were lost, or felt unsafe and their grown-up is not near them. Classes spoke about how to look for safe strangers to help them in tricky situations.

Online Safety

Each year group re-visited what it means to be safe online and how to achieve this. They thought about what you would do if you were worried about a situation online and who to speak to. Children in upper Key Stage Two explored the age limits for various social media apps.

48% of parents believe that their children know more about the internet than they do. 73% of children agree.

Useful service:

The Surrey Family Information Service (FIS) is a free impartial service for families with children aged 0 to 25 years. They can help you find organisations and services that may be able to support you and your family including information about childcare, holiday schemes and activities in your local area.

Visit their website for more information:
www.surreycc.gov.uk/people-andcommunity/family-information-service
 Call: 0300 200 1004

Operation Encompass

The school has been given the opportunity to take part in a project that will run jointly between schools and the Metropolitan Police. Operation Encompass is reporting to schools prior to the start of the next school day when a child or young person has been exposed to or involved in any domestic incident. Operation Encompass will ensure that two members of our Safeguarding Team, Miss Harding and Mrs Rackham, are trained to liaise with the police. This will allow the school to use the information, which is shared in confidence, to make provision for possible difficulties experienced by children or their families who have been involved in domestic abuse incidents.

What are the age limits for social media apps?

13 years	14 years	16 years	17 years
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Twitter  • Facebook • Instagram  • Snapchat • Pinterest • YouTube (with parental consent) • Google+ • Tumblr • Reddit • Ask FM  • Musical.ly  	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • LinkedIn  	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Whatsapp  	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Vine 

As a school, we find that more of our children are using WhatsApp on devices at home. WhatsApp is a chat application, which can be used on a mobile phone or tablet. It lets you send messages, images and videos to friends. You can have one to one and group conversations. Please be aware that your child may be using WhatsApp without your knowledge and you should be mindful that **the minimum age for WhatsApp is 16 or over**. We ask that you carefully monitor what your child is viewing online and that they are reminded to tell you if they receive anything inappropriate from any application. As a school, we strongly advise that you check the minimum age for apps before allowing your child to use them.