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NSPCC Speak out. Stay safe

Dear Parent(s)/Carer(s),

I would like to introduce the NSPCC's **Speak out. Stay safe** safeguarding programme. These assemblies have been scheduled in during the latter part of October.

What is the Speak out, Stay safe programme?

The **Speak out. Stay safe** programme consists of separate assemblies for KS1 and KS2. The sessions give children the knowledge and understanding they need to help them stay safe from abuse and neglect.

With the help of our mascot Buddy, the programme provides child-friendly, age-appropriate interactive assemblies and workshops to help children:

- understand abuse in all its forms
- know how to protect themselves
- know how to access sources of help, including the Childline service.

The programme complements the statutory guidance for Relationships Education (compulsory from 2020) which states that primary schools "should teach pupils the knowledge they need to recognise and to report abuse". **Speak out. Stay safe**. It has been designed to link directly to the PSHE curriculum and has been designed to be age appropriate.

Thank you for your continued support,

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