

# Oasis Academy Putney Safeguarding Bulletin

Dear Parents and Carers,

As the academic year draws to a close, we thought it would be helpful if this month's safe-guarding bulletin provided a focus on practical advice for the summer months as well as some useful signposting for our families.

It has been such an incredibly challenging year for families and though there is light at the end of the tunnel, no one knows what the future holds. We take huge pride in supporting our families here at Oasis Academy Putney and encourage both children and parents/carers to seek support, if they feel they need it, through Ms Khawaja, Miss Hughes or Miss Pickering. If there is anything you are worried or concerned about during this last week, please do not hesitate to contact us.

We would also urge you to monitor your child's digital behaviour during summer holidays. We live in a world that is influenced by digital devices and due to this we are now faced with challenges of how to effectively monitor child's behaviour, interactions and time spent in various online spaces.

Finally, as lead of the safeguarding team at Oasis Academy Putney, I would like to wish you all a very safe, restful and enjoyable summer. We look forward to supporting you all during the next academic year.

Have a wonderful summer!

#### Samiya Khawaja

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# **Our safeguarding leads:**

Samiya Khawaja- Designated Safeguarding Lead

Our deputy safeguarding leads are:

Mr Lillo

Miss Hughes

Miss Pickering

If you are concerned about the safety or well being of any child please contact one of us immediately.

School hours are 8:55am - 3:30pm

Telephone number: 020 78846000

In an event of full school closure, please email the school office at:

info@oasisputney.org

Our most current Safeguarding Policy can be viewed on our website at:

<u>Safeguarding and Child Protection Policy</u> (<u>oasisacademyputney.org</u>)



Here at Oasis Academy Putney we firmly believe that children need to feel safe and happy in order to be able to learn and for that reason safeguarding is right at the top of our priority list. We have robust procedures for keeping children safe while the are in our care. We have recently updated the Safeguarding sections on our website and here you will also find all our latest policies in.

# **Staying Safe**

# **Signposting Special**

#### Keeping Safe: In the Sun

Making sure you and your children keep safe in the sun:

- apply high factor sun cream regularly
- Wear a sun hat and loose clothing
- Wear sunglasses
- Avoid the sun when it is hottest
- Make sure there is a shady area
- Drink lots of water

CBeebies have produced a really nice video 'Tips for staying Safe in the Sun' to share with younger children:

https://www.bbc.co.uk/cbeebies/watch/sun-safety-for-kids

#### **Keeping safe: Out and About**

Some of our older children that are about to start secondary school may be, 'Out and About' which may be a relatively new experience for them.

- Make sure you know where they are going, who they are meeting and what time to expect them back
- Ensure they have a mobile phone with them and have your contact details in their phone
- If they are meeting friends, ensure they have a meeting point if they get separated
- Consider how they might cope with new situations, ie: public transport, queuing, paying for goods in shops etc and talk about this so they know what to expect
- Ensure they have a plan if they get lost
- Ensure they know how to call the emergency services, if needed

The NSPCC have produced a very handy downloadable guide 'Home out out alone'.

https://learning.nspcc.org.uk/research-resources/leaflets/home-or-out-alone-guide

# Keeping Safe: Dehydration

Make sure you and your children keep hydrated in the sun is essential for good health. Signs of dehydration include:

- Felling tired and lethargic
- Having yellow and strong smelling urine
- Feeling thirsty
- · Feeling dizzy or lightheaded

The NHS have produced a very informative video 'Dehydration' which shows you how to prevent dehydration:

https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/dehydration/

### Keeping Safe: Online

Below are some tips for parent/carers to help keep children safe online:

- Ask them to NOT share personal information and check what other people can see on their privacy settings
- Be mindful of phishing and scams
- Always ask them to talk to only people they know and think about people they are talking to
- Ensure they NEVER give out their password
- Always ask them to be mindful about what they post - once it's there, it's there!

There is a wealth of information available about keeping safe online, however Childline.org and the NSPCC have some very good information.

https://www.childline.org.uk/info-advice/bullyin g-abuse-safety/online-mobile-safety/staying-saf e-online/

https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/online-safety/

Wishing you all a very safe, restful and enjoyable summer.

Safeguarding is our #1 priority every day

#### **SAFEGUARDING WORKSHOPS FOR Year 5 & 6**

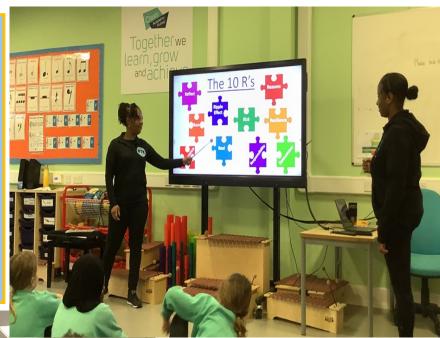
# How to Respond to Youth Violence

The children heard a personal account of the effect of youth violence. Our children were informed in an age-appropriate way how to

make good decisions for their own and others' safety.

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# Stay safe

We organised a SG workshop in collaboration with Loud mouth., Loudmouth provides a range of programmes and formats that can support safeguarding and relationship education. Loudmouth's work aims to ensure a future where all children and young people are healthy, happy,

# **SOSS**

NSPCC workshop was led on 13th July for Year 5 & 6 pupils focusing on speaking out and stay-

ing safe.

NSPCC Speak out.
Stay Safe. programme



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