

Cherry Tree Primary School and Nursery



Safeguarding Newsletter

(This newsletter is also available on our website – www.cherrytree-pri.essex.sch.uk)

Spring Term 2 2019

Useful Telephone Numbers

NSPCC Childline 0800 1111
(for use by anyone under 18)

Family Lives Support line
(parent line) 0808 800 2222

EWMHS 0300 300 1600 9am-
5pm Monday - Friday

Children and Families Hub
0345 603 7627

Step Change Debt Charity
0800 138 1111

Family Mosaic have a drop in session every 3rd Thursday of the month 9am – 12 noon at Aryan Medical Centre, Felmores. They can help with free advice and support on a range of issues.

Think safe ... be safe.

If you have any concerns about a child in our school please do not hesitate to contact one of the school's Designated Leaders.

Our Safeguarding Team:

Mrs. Milsom (Pastoral Leader)

Mrs. Greenwood (AHT – Inclusion Leader)

Mr. Patten (AHT – Key Stage 2)

Miss Ghouse (AHT – Key Stage 1)

Mrs. Tiffin (AHT – Early Years)

Mrs. Barrand (Headteacher)

Miss Barlow (Deputy Headteacher)

Governor: Mrs. Walsh (Chair of Governors)

If you have immediate concerns for a child please don't hesitate to ring the Child and Family Hub on 0345 603 7627 or the Police. It is everyone's responsibility to keep children safe.

Internet Safety

We would like to remind families that social media can be a dangerous past time for children.

"The minimum age is 13, in compliance with the Children's Online Privacy Protection Act (COPPA)" for **Instagram, Snapchat, Facebook.**

www.net-aware.org.uk/networks/snapchat/

www.net-aware.org.uk/networks/instagram/

www.childnet.com/blog/age-restrictions-on-social-media-services

Please have a read of these guidelines which set it out clearly.

Thinking of buying a new computer game for your child?

When choosing computer games for your children, please take note of the age restriction on the games. Many games have an impact on the games the children play in the playground and also the language the children use. Often we find that children engaging in fighting games and more aggressive play will tell us that they are acting out something they have played in a computer game.

www.internetmatters.org/advice/online-gaming/

Did you know?

Since April 2018 **WhatsApp** have had a new minimum age limit of 16 for users based in Europe.

WhatsApp's new age limit was chosen in response to the General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) which came into effect from 25th May 2018.



Why Fortnite received a PG13 age rating:

- The online competitive mode makes the player angry in failure
- Violence includes destroying the enemies with whatever the player gets
- Online multiplayer chatting can allow profanity
- Crucial and scary sound effects
- The game pushes the player to make in-game purchases

Esafety Training



Workshops for both parents and children are held annually to ensure parents are kept up to date and know how to protect children in the online world.



CSE Awareness Day

To highlight this year's national Child Sexual Exploitation Awareness Day (Monday 18th March), the Essex Safeguarding Children Board are launching the Parents, Did You Know? campaign, with the aim of encouraging parents and carers to better understand child exploitation (CE), knowing the signs, and where to go to get help and support for both them and their children. Further information and resources can be found on our school website on the 'Keeping Safe' page.



Assemblies and workshops will be held at CTPS on 20th May and 23rd May, delivered by NSPCC representatives to help ensure children feel empowered and understand how they can speak out and stay safe.

Children Affected by Parental Imprisonment Essex CAPI Service

Please remember you can speak to Mrs Milsom (Pastoral Leader) or Miss Claeys if you or your child are affected by any issues around parental imprisonment.