



Red Oaks Primary School

Safeguarding Newsletter

June 2023



Welcome to our Term 6 Safeguarding Newsletter. At Red Oaks, we are committed to ensuring a culture of safeguarding in our school and it is paramount in all we do. We hope that our termly safeguarding newsletters will give you an overview of our approach, offer some useful guidance and information and inform you of what your children are learning in school about how to keep themselves safe. For more information about safeguarding, please look at our website: https://www.redoaks.org/celebrating_children_Staying_Safe_Intro.php

Term 6 Curriculum News

Secrets

This term all children will participate in class assemblies about secrets. They will learn the difference between a safe and unsafe secret and what to do if they have a secret that makes them feel uncomfortable.

Sun Safety

Children in Foundation Stage and Y2 will be learning about sun safety and how to keep themselves safe on hot and sunny days. Foundation stage children will be going on a shade hunt around school and Y2 will learn how to protect themselves from the sun's rays whilst still enjoying themselves in hot weather.

Water Safety

Children in Y1 and Y3 will take part in a lesson about water safety. Y1 will learn how to spot hazards around rivers and canals and will be taught the following acronym:

Stay
Away
From the
Edge

Y3's lesson will focus on what to do in an emergency and how to help people who may be experiencing difficulty in the water.

Railway Safety

Children in Y4 and Y5 will take part in lessons about railway safety. Using resources developed by Network Rail, they will find out about different safety signs, how to stay safe on station platforms and at level crossings and how to behave safely around railway tracks.

Alright Charlie

Y6 will be using a resource called Alright Charlie, which teaches children how to protect themselves against exploitation. Further information about this has already been sent home to Y6 parents and carers.

Contact details – always keep us up to date!

It is vitally important that we have the correct contact details for every parent/carer. If you change your phone number, email or move house, please let the school office know. We also need at least two emergency contacts for your child.

Telephone – 01793 493920

Email – office@redoaks.org.uk

Useful contacts:

Swindon MASH (Multi-agency Safeguarding Hub) if you have concerns about a child and want to speak to a social worker - 01793 466903 or email swindonmash@swindon.gov.uk

If you have concerns that a child is at immediate risk of harm, please call the Police on 999

School Nursing Team – for support to help children with their physical, mental and emotional well-being and referring to other specialist agencies.

Tel – 01793 465050 or email snn@swindon.gov.uk

Online safety guidance for parents - <https://swgfl.org.uk/>



With the arrival of the lighter evenings and the summer holidays fast approaching, it is important to remind children of how to keep themselves safe when both online and out and about.

The Safer Internet Centre have produced a guide for keeping online habits and interactions healthy:

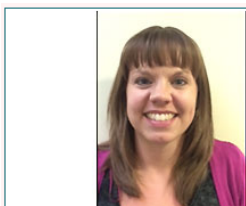
<https://saferinternet.org.uk/guide-and-resource/staying-safe-online-in-the-summer-holidays>

The Child Mind Institute has produced the following tips for a successful summer break:

<https://childmind.org/article/strategies-for-a-successful-summer-break/>

Follow this link for some helpful summer safety tips: <https://www.what0-18.nhs.uk/parents/carers/stay-safe-summer-tips-and-advice>

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If you have a concern about the safety or well-being of a child, please speak to one of our Safeguarding Team.