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**NSPCC**

**Speak out.  
Stay safe.**

28th September 2017

Dear Parent/Carer,

The safety and wellbeing of your children is of paramount importance to us at school and something we take very seriously.

The NSPCC's *Speak out. Stay safe.* programme is a nationwide programme, linked directly to the curriculum for every primary-school-aged child in the UK and Channel Islands, that teaches children about safeguarding in a lively, interactive and memorable way.

I'm very pleased to tell you that we will be working with the UK's leading children's charity, the NSPCC this year and on **Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> October** they will be visiting our school to deliver their ***Speak out. Stay safe. programme.*** With the help of their friendly mascot Buddy, they'll be presenting an assembly to the children in Years 1 to 6 as well as a workshop for Year 5 and 6 the following week.

**"NSPCC has helped me to build the confidence to tell people about my worries and problems."  
Child's feedback**

#### **What is the *Speak out. Stay safe.* programme?**

Through child-friendly, interactive assemblies and workshops their specially trained staff and volunteers will give our children information about how to keep themselves safe from harm and how to get help if they have any worries, sensitively discussing issues like bullying and sexual abuse, without using scary words or adult language.

We have studied the content of the materials and are confident that they are appropriate for primary-school-aged children. By the end of their visit, we're convinced the children will feel empowered – knowing how they can speak out and stay safe.

If you would like any more information about the NSPCC *Speak out. Stay safe.* programme, including frequently asked questions, you can find it on the NSPCC website [nspcc.org.uk/schools](https://nspcc.org.uk/schools).

If you'd like to know more about the NSPCC's work, or take a look at the wide range of information and advice which is available for parents and carers, please visit their website [nspcc.org.uk/preventing-abuse/keeping-children-safe](https://nspcc.org.uk/preventing-abuse/keeping-children-safe).

Alternatively, if you have any further questions regarding the programme, please do not hesitate to speak to myself or Mrs Granger.

Yours sincerely



Mr M Garratt  
Headteacher