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Dear Parents/Carers

### Keeping Safe Week 2024 5-9<sup>th</sup> February 2024

In PSHE this half term, all children are exploring a different aspect of safety, including people who helps us, managing risk, taking responsibility for own and others' safety, staying safe online, privacy and consent.

During week commencing 5<sup>th</sup> February 2024 we will have our safety focus week where the whole school comes together to explore a specific topic each day. We also welcome visiting teachers to engage, enrich and broaden our children's experiences. Please see below for details of our Keeping Safe Week sessions this year. [We have a number of expert visitors coming in to work with years 5 and 6 and have searched extensively for other year groups. If anyone feels able to contribute to our children's enrichment in subjects such as safety, wellbeing or inclusivity, or knows of someone who could help, please contact Mrs Bromley via the office to discuss; we and our pupils always find these sessions hugely beneficial and enjoyable.](#)

| Date      | Theme                        | Content   |
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| Monday    | Managing risk                | Classes will be focusing on fire, water or road safety – what are the risks, what can we do to reduce risk, and how can we resist peer pressure.<br><b>West Yorkshire Fire Service are visiting to run a workshop with Years 5 and 6.</b>   |
| Tuesday   | Safer Internet Day           | This is a worldwide event and the theme this year is <b>'Inspiring change? Making a difference, managing influence and navigating change online'</b> . Children will be invited to think about the future of the online world – what might the next generation be doing online? Further to this, they will consider safety issues related to those innovations and give thought to how these might be resolved. |
| Wednesday | Drugs, medicines and smoking | Younger children will talk about the benefits and risks associated with medicines. Older children will be thinking about drugs and smoking/vaping ( <b>note that Year 5 will have a drugs/smoking workshop delivered by Branching Out on Monday 26<sup>th</sup> February</b> ).<br><b>West Yorkshire Trading Standards will be in to run a workshop with Year 6 on vaping.</b>                                  |
| Thursday  | In an emergency...           | <b>Class 5 and class 6 will each have a 1 hour workshop delivered by British Red Cross to learn Youth First Aid, including CPR.</b> All other classes will learn about what to do in an emergency and how to get help.  |
| Friday    | My body belongs to me        | A focus on personal space, personal safety and consent, encouraging respectful relationships and helping pupils to speak up when something makes them feel uncomfortable.   |

As usual, the school's social media will show you lots of what we are doing in these sessions. Please also ask your children about their day as this really helps to reinforce their learning. If you would like any more information about the content of these lessons, please contact me via the school office.

Yours sincerely

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 HLTA and PSHE Subject Leader

*Working with the Diocese of Leeds and the Metropolitan Borough of Calderdale  
 May he give you the desire of your heart and make all your plans succeed Psalm 20:4*

