



Dear Parents,

I'm pleased to tell you that the NSPCC will be delivering their **Speak out Stay safe** programme in school on Wednesday 31st January. This is a nationwide programme for every primary-school-aged child in the UK and Channel Islands. With the help of their friendly mascot Buddy, they'll be presenting an assembly to the children in Key Stage 1 and 2 as well as a workshop for Years 5 and 6.

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.

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 or please come into speak to me and I can provide more information.

Talking about the Underwear Rule with your children

The NSPCC's work in schools will help encourage conversations about staying safe – and they have a number of child-friendly materials to help you carry on the conversation afterwards. That includes 'The Underwear Rule', a simple way for parents to help keep children safe from sexual abuse – without using scary words or even mentioning sex. The guide uses the rules of PANTS to teach children that their body belongs to them and them alone. You can find out more and download the free resources at nspcc.org.uk/pants

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/

In addition to their work with the children, the NSPCC have offered to hold a parent information session on Online Safety at 9am on 31st January. The session will include information about what children use the online world for, what the risks are and how these compare to common thinking for parents and what works to keep children safe, including some practical tools you can use. The session will only take place with a minimum of 20 parents attending, so please let us know by completing the following reply slip if you intend to come.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs J Campbell

NSPCC Parent information session Wednesday 31st January 2018 9am

Name of child _____ Class _____

Names of adults wishing to attend _____
