

Super Safeguarding Newsletter

June 2022

This summer edition of the newsletter shares some of the great work carried out across our schools in Cheshire East last term and provides some ideas that your children's safeguarding group could look at in school.



Captains Assemble at Vernon Primary School

On the 29th of March 2022 the children's safeguarding and wellbeing committee here at Vernon Primary School delivered a very informative assembly to the children across the school. This included looking at what 'Power for Good' means here at Vernon and taking time to introduce all of our 'Captains for Good'. Power for Good is part of our school ethos and important for our pupils, encouraging them to respect each other, behave positively in school and in the wider community. The children also went on to deliver a well-planned presentation they had written looking at Anti-Bullying. The children in the audience got involved and there were some great questions and comments. The feedback was fantastic, well done team!



Captain's Assemble!!!



The Berkeley Academy produces a Safeguarding Council newsletter which highlights some of the work the children have been doing in school about keeping safe. Here is a section of their newsletter which explains how the pupils help to carry out safety checks around school.

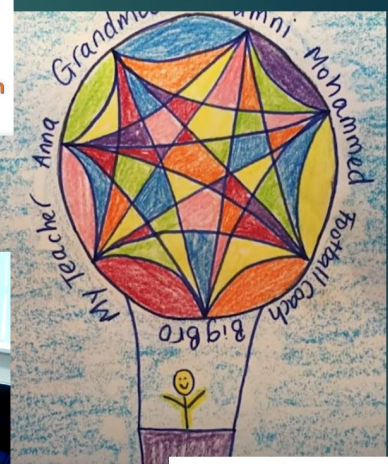
Site check and maintenance

Something we think is very important as a council is to make sure the site is safe. As such we always let people know if we think something is dangerous during play times or lunch times. We also go on walks with the Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead to make sure that everything is checked thoroughly. This includes making sure that the protective equipment hasn't got any rips or tears, that all gates in and out of school are locked, and can't be opened by being pushed, and that there are no holes underneath the fencing that people could crawl through. We also check that the forest school is secure and we make sure that we let adults know if anyone is going into forest school without proper supervision. We have identified some things to be fixed and it is being dealt with by the site manager.



Children's Mental Health Week 2022

- ▶ In our role as Safeguarding Officers, we organised Children's Mental Health Week for our school. In our assembly we explained what mental health means and what mental health is. We also read a book called Daisy's Dragon (a book about feelings)
- ▶ We set each class a task of planning out their network of support by drawing a hot air balloon of the people we would go to if we needed support. All children took part in this and we created a display in school.



The Safeguarding Officers at Leighton Academy help others if they are feeling sad or unsafe. During Mental Health Week the school hired a climbing wall to allow KS2 pupils to push themselves out of their comfort zone and try something new in order to build resilience.



Westminster Nursery School

Play...Learn...Grow...Together...



'Our community links'

As part of our learning about 'Ourselves and our world' we have been talking about occupations and our future aspirations.

We know that there are people in our community who work hard to keep us safe and healthy and have been very excited to have visits to Westminster Nursery School from the Crewe fire service and the local police.



We have been learning how to phone 999 and who we can ask for help if we ever get lost.



The Ambassadors at Egerton shared a 'Safe & Happy' presentation with their classes which included information about Childline, Pants Are Private and reminded pupils about who can help in school if you have a 'funny feeling in your tummy'. They reminded pupils about the staying safe online resources on the

thinkuknow.co.uk

website which has lots of resources for all age groups. They also created a safety quiz on Kahoot which asked the children questions and are planning to do a safeguarding questionnaire later in the year.



Ideas for you at school:

- Carry out a site check with an adult in school—are there any areas where safety could be improved? Does anything need repairing?
- Design your own safeguarding quiz or questionnaire for other children to answer. You could target just one or two year groups or even the whole school! The children's responses could help you then with your safeguarding plans for next year.
- Deliver an assembly about water safety and how to keep safe in the sun during the warmer summer months.
- Think about training some new members to your team as your Year 6 members will be moving on to high school
- Create your own school safeguarding newsletter to inform other pupils and students about the work you have been doing in school to stay safe. You could even put it on your school website so that parents and carers can see it too.



A big thank you to all of the schools who have contributed to this newsletter.

Let us know what your Safeguarding Groups have been up to in the past term.

We will put any articles and photographs in the next edition of the Super Safeguarding Newsletter.

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