# The Leys Primary & Nursery School



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# SAFEGUARDING NEWSLETTER 10 May 2024

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome to the latest edition of our Safeguarding newsletter.

Each term we aim to share information and advice for parents and carers on issues we feel may be important to you.

The Leys School Safeguarding team are

- Mrs Khangura (Headteacher)
- Mrs Clibbon (Family Worker)
- Mrs Pomroy (SEND coordinator)
- Mrs Barr (Deputy Head)

If you need to discuss an urgent safeguarding concern please contact a member of the team or send an email to <u>Safeguarding@leys.herts.sch.uk</u>

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## Raising concerns about things you see in the community

If you see or hear something of concern while out and about over the summer and you consider a child to be in danger or at immediate risk of significant harm then call the police on 999 to report your concern.

A report of any concerns may also be made to Children's Services at Hertfordshire Customer Service Centre on 0300 123 4043. You may choose to remain anonymous when reporting if you wish.

You can also report concerns by contacting the NSPCC Helpline on 0808 800 5000, emailing help@NSPCC.org.uk or by completing their online form.

Report abuse to the NSPCC

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### Filming outside schools

There are various factors to consider about general filming in the community and particularly outside schools.

Filming can put both adults and children at risk by showing the name of the school, its sign and the school uniform. Some children may have been adopted or families may have moved from across the country to escape crime.

Mark Bentley, from LGfL, explains why it is important to stop filming outside schools in this video: <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=BWw-1xztvbM</u>

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#### DOMESTIC ABUSE SUPPORT

School staff have recently accessed training about recognising and responding to domestic abuse situations.

Stevenage Borough council supports an organisation Survivors Against Domestic Abuse.

SADA is a service that provides advice, guidance and support to individuals and their families who are or have experienced domestic abuse.

The service encourages and empowers victims and survivors to make decisions that are right for them.

The service will listen without judging, signpost to other local support services and can also offer safety planning advice.

Referrals for support can come from agencies or victims are able to self refer.

SADA can be contacted Monday to Friday 9:00am to 5:00pm

SADA@stevenage.gov.uk

01438 242666

Behaviour is seen as Domestic Abuse if the behaviour of one person towards another is abusive when the persons are each aged 16 or over and are personally connected to each other. This could be physical or sexual abuse, violent or threatening behaviour, controlling or coercive behaviour, economic control, psychological, emotional or other abusive behaviour.

Further information about support for domestic abuse victims can be found through the following organisations...

Domestic abuse - Victim Support

Domestic violence and abuse - getting help - Citizens Advice

National Domestic Abuse Helpline - Refuge

Domestic Abuse Service | Hertfordshire Mind Network

Getting help for domestic violence and abuse - NHS

Men's Advice Line

I need help - information and support on domestic abuse (Womens Aid)

Wishing you all a safe and happy half term break.

See you on Tuesday 4th June.

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