

Parent Safeguarding Bulletin

<u>Safeguarding Team – Who's Who?</u>

Primary Phase – Lady Royd Primary









Mrs Leary Assistant Principal Head of Lady Royd Early Years DSL

Mrs Poole **DDSL**

Miss Khan Foundation Stage Leader **DDSL**

Miss Harris Senior Leader -Safeguarding Safeguarding Lead

Senior Phase - BGGS







Miss Morris Student Welfare and Attendance Ast. **DDSL**



Mrs Poole Head of Lady Royd **DDSL**



Mrs Martin Principal



Christine Day Nominated Governor for Safeguarding

Useful Safeguarding Acronyms & Vocabulary

DSL: Designated Safeguarding Lead -Lead point of contact for any safeguarding issues

DDSL: Deputy Designated Lead, who works alongside the DSL

SENCO: Special **Educational Needs Co**ordinator

SPOC: Single Point of Contact

(PREVENT): responsible for preventing children being impacted by extremism

LADO: Local Authority Designated Officer— at Bradford Council who advise schools on staff allegations

CEOP: Child Exploitation and On-line Protection Centre

Concerned about a child or seeking safeguarding advice? Email safe@bggs.com or call school and speak to a safeguarding lead.

Supporting you over the Pandemic

The pandemic has been a difficult time for many, but school are here to support the wellbeing of you and your child. As you will already be aware, we have been making welfare calls to students to ensure that they are well and accessing remote learning smoothly. We ask that you please make us aware if for any reason you may be uncontactable and for how long, to avoid any cause for concern and your child being reported missing to the local authority.

If you or your child are struggling with your mental health or other hardships, please speak to one of our DSL's at school and we will do our best to provide support.

On October 16th 2020, the government released some guidance for parents and carers on supporting young ones during the pandemic. (Link Below)

https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/covid-19-guidance-on-supporting-children-and-young-peoples-mental-health-and-wellbeing/guidance-for-parents-and-carers-on-supporting-children-and-young-peoples-mental-health-and-wellbeing-during-the-coronavirus-covid-19-outbreak

No Child Cold Grant Scheme

As a Bradford School, we work closely with the Council and support their local schemes to support families. We have been asked to raise awareness of the following scheme.

Bradford partners from the VCS, business and faith groups are working together to launch one-off short-term scheme to make sure that no child in the district is cold as a result of the recent

lockdown. The "No child cold" scheme aims to:

Support energy consumers with school aged children (4-18)* in the household by giving a
small grant to residents who have higher energy costs and where school aged children had
to stay at home during the winter period as a result of Covid-19 school closures. This is to
help cover the additional fuel costs incurred to heat the home when children would usually
be in school.

Recipients will live in a household where at least one of the following applies:

- household income, of those responsible for bills, has fallen due to a reduction in wages, either because of a reduction in working hours, a loss of regular overtime or a member of the household has been furloughed.
- The family is a low-income household (defined as being in receipt of UC, tax credits or other income related DWP / local authority benefit) and fuel costs have increased as a result of children being at home because of school closures.
- The family live in a household where the child would be entitled to free school meals and fuel costs have increased because the children have had to stay at home because of school closures.

For more information, please call school and speak to Miss Harris (Senior Phase Parents) or Mrs Leary (Primary Phase Parents).

Kooth.COM & Qwell

We regularly signpost students in the senior phase to Kooth.com, where 10-18 years olds can access free online wellbeing support and counselling if they need it. This is a service recommended by the Local Authority. Kooth are now offering parents of young people, aged 10-18, a session to provide an overview of the service. **Qwell**, is online emotional wellbeing and mental health support for parents, which can act as a great support especially during these challenging times. For more information, please see the flyer below!

Introduction to Kooth (and Qwell) for Parents

Two virtual 'Introduction to Kooth' sessions are being held for parents of young people, aged 10-18, living in Bradford. The sessions will provide an overview of Kooth (www.kooth.com) explaining who we are and how we can help support your child's mental health and emotional wellbeing. We will also be providing information of how you as parents can access the Qwell support service (www.qwell.io), which is the same model of care as Kooth but for anyone aged 18+.

Heather Hook from Kooth will be hosting the sessions and will highlight all of the fantastic resources that are available, as well as giving a live demonstration of how the service works:

Thursday 4th February 6-7pm

Wednesday17th February 6-7pm

To attend please register on the following link via Eventbrite:

https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/o/olivia-uttley-32000670561

Big changes in our lives can be overwhelming at times.

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