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Dear Parents,

It was encouraging to see all the children engage so positively with the NSPCC 'Speak out and Stay safe' programme this week. Michelle Green from the NSPCC provided a worthwhile opportunity for the children and they asked lots of questions and gave lots of answers too. As part of the staying safe programme, the NSPCC provide a video to support children in keeping their private parts, private and there is a useful video called PANTS/The underwear rule. This is useful for children to watch at home with you and the link is as follows:

<https://learning.nspcc.org.uk/research-resources/schools/pants-teaching>

The two Hyde Park Schools are linking with the NSPCC to provide a workshop outlining internet safety for parents and this will be held on 19th March in the Junior School at 2pm.

An invitation for **parents** from Miss Jackson

"We look forward to seeing those of you with children in the Junior School at our Exhibition of Learning on Friday from 2pm-3pm. Even if you don't have children with us yet, we'd love to see you, just come through the Junior School gate and up the stairs, one of our pupils will be happy to show you round. Children in years 3 and 4 will be teaching writing and children in years 5 will teach grammar. Please try and visit every year group. Junior school children can go home with their adults once you've looked round."

I have spoken to Miss Jackson and this invitation is for parents only and not for children in the Infant School. There will be many opportunities for the Infant Children to visit the Junior School and work with Junior Children in the future.

Please be aware that children in the Infant School will have a normal afternoon in school and will finish at the usual times (3.15 for Early Years and 3.25 for Years 1 and 2)



World Book Day 7th March

The schools are preparing for World Book Day on 7th March and we have some exciting opportunities 'under wraps' for the children. Please could we ask that children bring a favourite book to school on that day (story, poetry or information book) and please ensure that you name the book clearly so that it can be returned at the end of the day. Children may come in mufti on that day or as a character from a book. Children will wear their outfit all day so please send them in something that they can easily take off or pull down in order to use the toilet.

Sports Day for the Infant School

We have booked our sports day for Monday 15th July in the morning and finishing by 11.30. We will be making use of the Plymouth College field and everything will go ahead as long as the weather is kind to us. We welcome parents and family members so I do hope that this advance notice will give you the opportunity to make arrangements to join us on that morning.

School trips, visits and visitors

Please can I remind parents to pay, through Eduspot, the trip/visit payments for your child this year. The total cost is £25.00 and for some of you, this is overdue. As a reminder, if you have not yet paid the £25.00 due, your child will come home with an orange letter which contains a reminder about how to pay the due amount using Eduspot or by obtaining a PayPoint slip/code from the school office so that you can pay through a PayPoint outlet.

The phonic catch up sessions run by Mrs Crawley this week have proved very popular and the last one will be at 3pm on Friday. Mrs Crawley will be issuing one more invitation next term for those Y1 parents who missed out as we have had a number of enquiries to do so.

We have one more day at school to enjoy this Friday and then a half term holiday so children will return to school on Monday 25th February. Can I encourage you to dig out your copy of Hyde Park Explorers and see how many of the activities you can take part in. As usual, I would be delighted to receive pictures/photos/reports and have stickers waiting for all the children who contribute.

Yours sincerely,



Head Teacher