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Dear Parents/Carers

As you know, the NSPCC visited our school today and delivered their ***Speak out. Stay safe.*** presentations to share information with your child about how they can keep themselves safe from harm and get help if they have any worries.

It was a very worthwhile and empowering session for both pupils and teachers. They spoke to the children and staff about the valuable work they do across the country, and talked about how important it is for everyone in our school community to join them in their 'fight for every childhood'.

But, as a charity, they can only provide these vital resources thanks to the financial support and generosity of their supporters.

That's why we're raising money to help the NSPCC's work in schools

I am delighted to say that our school has chosen to support the valuable work of the NSPCC this term by taking part in a fundraising event, and I would really value your support and encouragement.

How your children can have fun - and make a massive difference

The children will be taking part in a **fun danceathon** which will not only be exciting for our pupils but will also mean they are raising money for the NSPCC's vital work and helping keep even more children safe.

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Your child will be bringing home a **Buddy's Big Workout Sponsor Form**. Donations are purely voluntary but if you would like to support the NSPCC's work, it would be fantastic if you could sign the sponsor form, giving your child permission to take part and to confirm you are happy to have overall responsibility for counting and handling the money raised. Please return the signed sponsor form, with the money raised, to school by **THURSDAY 24TH OCTOBER**. If you have more than one child in school simply put all your children's names at the top of one form.

Every child attending the assembly today will receive a thank you in the form of a *Speak out. Stay safe*. Buddy sticker. We want them to wear it with pride.

For taking part in the fundraising activity, every child will also receive a coloured Buddy Badge to thank them for their hard work.

You and your children can be proud of the fact that every penny raised makes a significant difference for children. By supporting the NSPCC we can work together to end child abuse.

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 and has been created to help you talk to your children about keeping themselves safe. 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 available for parents and carers, please visit nspcc.org.uk/parents

Yours sincerely



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