



PSA SAFEGUARDING BULLETIN

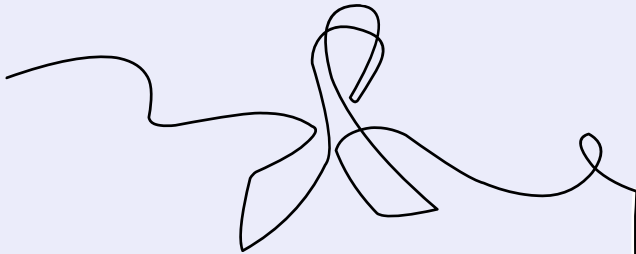


Welcome to the PSA safeguarding bulletin. These will be sent out regularly with the latest news. It is our collective responsibility to keep your children safe, in and out of school, from any harm. We would encourage you to speak to your children regularly about the items featured in this bulletin. Thank you in advance for your support in promoting these messages.



ANTI-BULLYING WEEK

At our school, we are committed to building a safe, inclusive, and supportive environment where every student feels valued and respected. Anti-Bullying Week takes place annually in November, and is a vital reminder of the role we all play in promoting kindness, standing up against bullying, and celebrating each individual's unique identity. Together, let's continue to create a school community where everyone can thrive, free from fear or discrimination.



WHITE RIBBON DAY

White Ribbon Day is an important annual event where men demonstrate their ongoing commitment to ending violence against women and girls. Taking place on 25 November, it serves as a powerful reminder that positive action is essential in challenging harmful behaviours and cultural norms that perpetuate violence.

This day inspires individuals and organisations to take a stand, with White Ribbon Accredited and Supporter Organisations, along with Ambassadors and Champions, leading the way in driving meaningful culture change.

Each year, White Ribbon UK highlights a specific theme, and this year, it is "It Starts With Men". The aim is to raise awareness of men's violence against women and girls, emphasising the critical role men play as allies in fostering safer, more respectful communities.

Let's all work together to support this vital cause and create a culture of equality and safety.

MONITORING YOUR CHILD ONLINE

If you want to give your children some privacy and independence online but worry about issues like cyberbullying or too much screen time, these apps could help.

Gone are the days when phones and tablets were only for adults. Now even young children have access to devices, making parental control apps, screen time management tools, and phone tracking apps essential for parents. One of the biggest challenges parents face is monitoring what their children are accessing online. Many of us wonder, "Is my child viewing inappropriate content, and if so, how can I stop it?" But that's just one concern. Parents also worry about who their children are talking to and whether they're aware of the risks posed by online predators.

Use Mirror Apps

Mirror apps allow you to see what your child is doing online, giving you a clearer understanding of their activity.

How to Monitor Your Child's Phone Remotely

Parental monitoring isn't just about setting screen time limits or ensuring your child stays safe on apps like Snapchat. It also involves tracking their movements through their smartphone's GPS or specific tracking apps. For example, if your child is walking home alone or taking the bus to an empty house, you can track their location to ensure they've arrived safely.

To track your child's location using Family Sharing, follow these steps:

1. On your child's phone, go to Settings.
2. Tap Location Sharing.
3. Tap Share Your Location.

These tools can give you peace of mind while allowing your child some independence in a digital world.

ATTENDANCE

We urge you to take a few moments to read our [Attendance Booklet](#) on the importance of your child's attendance in school. Regular school attendance is undeniably linked to academic success. When children miss classes - whether due to taking days off or arriving late - they miss vital aspects of their education. At PSA, we strictly adhere to government guidelines, which is why we do not permit holidays or any leave during term time. We expect our students to aim for a minimum of 96% attendance. Missing school can create gaps in your child's understanding, which can ultimately impact their grades, confidence, and future opportunities.

Please remember your child's absence must be reported every day, and a phone call is required on day three of absence. If the school is unable to contact a parent after a prolonged absence, the child could be referred to the local authority as a child missing education.

By ensuring your child attends school regularly, you are supporting their educational journey and helping them build a strong foundation for success.



PSA SAFEGUARDING TEAM

Should you have any concerns / issues regarding safeguarding, you can talk to the following designated safeguarding leads or any other trusted adult in the school. You can also email safeguarding@psa-bucks.com.



Miss Day
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Mrs Summerell
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Miss Lallian
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