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Dear Parent,

I hope that you and your families are well and are coping with the current situation as well as can be expected. I know that there has been a number of communications from the College, to both pupils and parents, some of which have indicated what resources are available from a pastoral point of view. We have made these available on Frog with some of the more obvious links being under 'Health & Wellbeing' and 'Further Learning'.

I would also like to pass on some information sent to me from the NSPCC

Talking to a child worried about Coronavirus

Source: NSPCC

The NSPCC has created a new webpage with information and advice for parents or carers who are worried a child or young person may be struggling with their mental health or has anxiety about Coronavirus. The webpage includes information on: talking about feelings and worries; keeping in touch and balancing screen time; ways to create structure and routine; and helping to give children a sense of control.

The information and advice can be accessed here: [**Talking to a child worried about coronavirus \(COVID-19\)**](#)

See also on NSPCC Learning: [**How to have difficult conversations with children**](#)

We have also updated our online safety resources, with a number of downloadable guides to online safety, including information on online games and social media sites. This is well worth a look: [**Online Safeguarding**](#)

On a more formal note, I would like to refer you to a new Annex to our Child Protection Policy which has been published in response to the COVID-19 situation.

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Safeguarding priority

During these challenging times the safeguarding of all children at our school – whether they are currently at home or in attendance – continues to be our priority. The following fundamental safeguarding principles remain the same:

- The best interests of children continue to come first
- If anyone in our school has a safeguarding concern, they will act immediately
- A designated safeguarding lead (DSL) or deputy DSL will always be available
- No unsuitable people will be allowed to gain access to children
- Children should continue to be protected when they are online

The full version is available on our website: [Safeguarding Policy](#)

Take care and stay well.

Kind Regards,

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