



SAFE AT SUMMERHILL

At Summerhill School we are committed to Safeguarding our children and young people as well as promoting positive well-being for all.

This Safeguarding newsletter, aims to help staff, parents and students alike to be aware of Safeguarding and mental well-being issues, giving you useful links and resources to use if you have concerns. Please do not hesitate to contact us on the main school number (01384 816165) or via email on studentsupport@summerhill.dudley.sch.uk

Clocks go Back! Dark Nights Ahead

Did you know? The clocks will go back on Sunday 31st October

Now that the clocks are going back and it is getting darker earlier on it is more important than ever to make sure you can be seen when you are out about near roads.

There are lots of ways to be seen and stay safe – some tips to share with your children.

- Brightly coloured or fluorescent clothing shows up well in daylight and at dusk when you are heading to and from school.
- If you are out and about when it's dark, wear reflective clothing to make sure you can be seen in car headlights. Reflective vests, sashes or wristbands work well. Remember, fluorescent clothing doesn't work after dark!
- Don't forget to accessorise! Even small items such as clip-on reflectors, armbands and stickers on your outfit or school bag are a great way to improve your visibility.
- If you like to cycle, remember that it's the law to have clean and working lights at night (white at the front, red at the back), as well as a rear reflector. It's good to fit spoke reflectors too.
- Of course 'Being Bright' isn't the only way to stay safer. If you are out at night, choose routes and crossing places that are well lit and remember to always use the Green Cross Code.

iOS 15 Update

Did you know? Apple has recently launched a new operating system for the iPhone and iPad.

An online safety company, Inege, has looked closely at the new iOS15 and has found that the new features could leave children vulnerable. Apple's video call software, FaceTime, now has the ability to link with web browsers on Windows and Android. This new shareability could put children at risk of anonymous video calls.

To read more about the iOS 15 update, go to: <https://inege.com/2021/10/08/ios-15/>

Parenting Smart

Did you know? There is a new website to help parents designed by Place2Be

The children's mental health charity, Place2Be, has launched a new website aimed at helping parents with typical situations they can find themselves in with their children.

Advice can be found on over forty topics including:

- Understanding sibling rivalry
- What to do when someone dies
- Sexual development
- Cultural Identity: Who am I?

Click the image below to access the site.



We hope you have found this newsletter useful. If you have any feedback about the issues raised, or would like to suggest topics for a future edition, please email studentsupport@summerhill.dudley.sch.uk



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