

Safeguarding & SEND



Dear Parents and Carers,

I'm pleased to share this term's edition of our Safeguarding & SEND Newsletter which includes, The Hidden Language of Emojis, an update on the planned PSHE curriculum, information about annual reviews on the EHC Hub Platform, LPCF's offer and E-Safety advice. As always please feel free to contact me should you wish to discuss anything relating to SEND or Safeguarding, the best way to contact me is by email on jodie.wilkes@greenfields-cit.co.uk

May I take this opportunity to wish you a wonderful Easter Break and I look forward to seeing the pupils and yourselves in the new term.

Best Wishes, Jodie

The Hidden Language of Emojis

Following on from the widespread publicity surrounding the new Netflix programme 'Adolescence', there is an increased widespread discussion about the Hidden Language of Emojis.

The Children's society have put together the following guidance: Emojis are becoming an increasingly common method of communication for everybody. Emojis are simple to understand, quick to type and can get the tone of the message across. Just as understanding the language that young people use can be important for safeguarding them, we think it is also useful to understand how emojis can be used. If we have a better understanding of their meaning, we can foster better connections with children and young people, and identify any potential risks. Further information can be found here: The meaning behind the emoji | The Children's Society

KidsOnlineWorld have put together a simple guide (attached) to how emojis may be used in areas of risk. This is not a definitive guide and is not exhaustive. We encourage everyone supporting children and young people to stay curious about the different forms of communication young people are using, and to use this as a resource to build conversation.

E-Safety

This term upper school have participated in a workshop around online safety run by Lincolnshire Stay Safe Partnership. The sessions focussed on group chats and developing awareness of once something is online it can't be taken back.

Internet Matters

Ahead of the Easter Holidays, internetmatters.org are sharing new resources to support families with neurodivergent children to keep them safe online. Neurodivergent children experience digital spaces differently, which can make online safety more challenging for parents. To help, Internet Matters has created a suite of practical gaming-focused resources, developed in partnership with Roblox and Ambitious about Autism for World Autism Awareness Month. Check out our new screen time guide, packed with expert tips to help balance online and offline activities, and explore our parent stories content for real experiences and advice. parents' guide for neurodivergent children | Internet Matters

Lots of teens love TikTok! Whether your teen is a newbie or a seasoned user, we recommend that parents check out Family Pairing to help keep them safe while they're enjoying the platform. You'll need to set up a parent account and link with your teen, then you can manage their screen time, mute notifications and restrict content and who can contact them. It's really easy to set up and we've created a step by step guide to help. TikTok parental controls guide | Internet Matters

Lincolnshire Parent Carer Forum (LPCF)

LPCF charity is an independent members organisation overseen by a members elected group of trustees who are mostly parents and carers of children with disabilities and/or Special Educational Needs.

LPCF provide an experienced, supportive ear for parents, to promote their skills, knowledge and resilience. You can find out more about what they do by attending their event on the 30th of April. Flyer attached.

PSHE

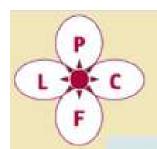
At Greenfields we are committed to providing a comprehensive PSHE curriculum which prepares pupils for life in the modern world.

In the summer term, all PSHE groups will be focussing on relationships education. Letters have been shared with parents and carers with the details of the PSHE topics your child will cover. If you have any questions please contact your child's class teacher. Further details can be found on our school website.

Annual Reviews on the EHC Hub

As some of already know from attending annual review meetings over the last year, all Lincolnshire and Nottinghamshire EHCPs have moved on to the online hub. This is designed to improved accessibility and transparency for all. Meetings can be still be held in person or online. The main differences you will see will be the way in which you receive invites and how your views are gathered, both of which will be requested through the system. However paper copies of all aspects of the review process can be provided in paper format if requested.

If you haven't already accessed the system, you will be sent a registration email over the coming months. Please note this link is only valid for 24 hours so please activate it as soon as possible. If you do have any issues with access please let me know and I will do my best to resolve this with your child's SEND







Lincolnshire Parent Carer Forum Find out what we do on 30th April at 1pm

Join LPCF to find out more.

Learn more about the role and remit of LPCF, how we co produce work with the Local Authority and Health and how we represent the views of the membership.

Find out why you should join our 4500+ membership of parents or over 1500 professionals on the membership.

Learn about our forums journey and the learning lessons along the way.

Book your place above by 25th April

Aimed at parents and carers of children with SEND & the professionals who work with them, who are on the LPCF membership.



Sign up to LPCF on the sign up page of the website.

Book on the Events page.

www.lincspcf.org.uk



EMOJI'S EXPLA

FROM SECRET SLANG TO CODED MESSAGES. EMOJIS ARE OFTEN USED TO CONVEY MEANINGS THAT PARENTS MIGHT NOT RECOGNISE. UNDERSTANDING THESE HIDDEN MESSAGES CAN HELP BRIDGE THE GAP BETWEEN GENERATIONS AND ENSURE OPEN, INFORMED CONVERSATIONS.

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