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Dear Parent/Carer

Parent Bulletin

Please see below information from our Vice Principal and Designated Safeguarding Lead, Mr Steve Taylor.

Safeguarding

The Academy continues to place safeguarding as our #1 priority. Your child remains extremely safe onsite at Arnold Hill.

Almost all of our safeguarding concerns are either in the community or online, both of which are far more difficult for us to monitor and deal with.

Can I please ask for your help in ensuring your child travels safely to/from the Academy, including any use of public transport, when cycling (helmet to be worn) and regarding showing respect for residents; anti-social behaviour is never acceptable. 90% of serious incidents where children are seriously injured or worse, occur on their way home from school. We will be working with community Policing and teaching children how to stay safe on their commute to and from the Academy in the coming weeks.

Arnold Hill Spencer Academy is proud to have recently become an accredited National Online Safety organisation for the third year running. You can create a free account here:

<https://nationalonlinesafety.com/enrol/arnold-hill-academy>

This enables you to access free webinars, resources, explainer videos and courses. It is a great idea to learn together as a family about the complex world of online safety. There is also a free App for your mobile device and you will receive emails each Wednesday with parent/carer 'tips' #wakeupwednesday

Recently, many schools are being targeted by inappropriate use of TikTok, a very popular social media platform. Several children at Arnold Hill have created false accounts and abused named staff online. This is totally unacceptable. We have reported these accounts to TikTok and the Police who are investigating.

Where our children are old enough to use social media, we want them to use it positively. Please click on the following link to access a parents' guide to TikTok https://drive.google.com/file/d/1TTfnL-xCUBltX7KcsWV1_WhttSE_9ZB9/view?usp=sharing

There is also a course online 'What parents need to know about TikTok' at the NoS website

Y10 Parents Evening Wednesday 24th November

If you have not yet been able to make appointments on SchoolCloud, you can do so until the 22nd November by clicking on the following link <https://arnoldhillacademy.schoolcloud.co.uk/>

Thank you for your continued support. Have a lovely weekend.

Kind regards

Matt Robertson
Principal