

Safeguarding & Welfare

Term 5

Parent Forum

We believe that home-school relations are paramount to ensuring the best educational experience for our pupils. For this reason we incorporate both pupil and parent voice into our practice as often as possible. We strive to consult parents on changes in policy and get parents involved as often as possible with their child's learning.

As part of our approach to parent voice, we hold a termly (3x year) parent forum. These meetings are an opportunity for parents to discuss the school improvement priorities and suggest ways to improve practice across the academy. In addition, professionals will be invited to attend these meetings to share additional support with parents e.g. e-safety information.

These meetings are minuted and shared through our academy website. If parents are unable to attend these meetings, they are welcome to email discussion points to safeguarding@thebairdprimaryacademy.org.uk prior to the meeting.

We look forward to seeing you at our next Parent Forum.

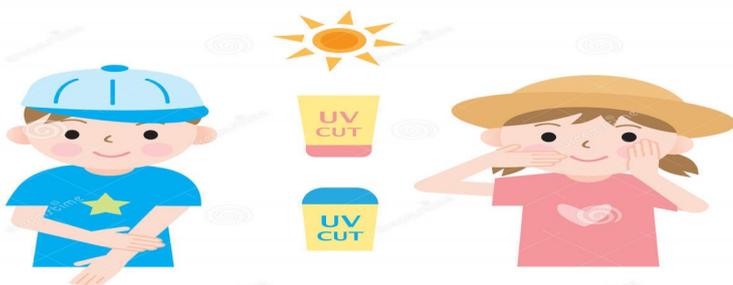
Huggy Wuggy and Poppy Playtime (12+ age restriction) Online Safety Review

A horror game character from 'Poppy Playtime' named Huggy Wuggy has been raising concerns amongst parents, Police and safeguarding professionals. Poppy Playtime is a PC horror game that involves an unnamed protagonist investigating a mystery in an abandoned toy factory. "Huggy Wuggy" is one of the game's most popular – and visually disturbing – characters. It's a giant, horrifying blue creature with bulging eyes, wide red lips, and long limbs who actively follows you around as you try to complete the game. He appears in the dark unexpectedly to try and catch you. If you get caught, Huggy Wuggy bears his wide and sinister grin and eats you. It also sings about hugging you to death.

Cyber Protection Officers have recently released a statement, warning parents that children may be viewing graphic fan-made videos that are popping up on platforms such as YouTube and TikTok. There are now new characters, including Mommy Long Legs and Kissy Missy. Like Huggy Wuggy, these new characters have arguably 'innocent' names that may sound child-friendly but could be visually disturbing and upsetting for children.

REMINDER

As the warmer weather approaches can we please ask that any hats/caps that are brought into school are clearly named. Sun cream should be applied to your child before they come to school. Children should not be bringing sunglasses into school.



Support Available

Food Bank Vouchers

Hygiene Products

Period Poverty

Please email

safeguarding@thebairdprimaryacademy.org.uk

or speak to Mrs Jarvis

Doms Food Mission - 07783190948

Hastings Furniture Service - 01424 441112

Budgeting and Debt Management - Christians Against Poverty. 0800328006 capuk.org