



Spring 2023

Fairmead School—Safeguarding Newsletter



Mrs Felstead
—
**Designated
Safeguarding
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Spring term has sprung!

Thank you to those of you who answered the questionnaire on our first safeguarding newsletter. It has helped to shape the help, advice and latest news on issues that will be contained in newsletters. **Are all your contact details up to date?** If you change your home phone/email/mobile number, please let the school know, so that we have the most up-to-date contact details. **“Hi Mum” Scam Alert.** There is a phishing scam known as ‘Hi Mum’ that has been circulating through text messages or instant messaging services, such as WhatsApp. The scam involves the pretending to be friends or family members in order to gain access to your personal information. We strongly encourage you to read the article below for guidance on identifying phishing scams and how to deal with them if you have been targeted. [The ‘Hi Mum’ WhatsApp Scam](#)

To report a Safeguarding Concern:



Please call the **school office** on **01935 421295** and ask to speak to a Safeguarding Lead. If it is **outside of school hours** please call Mrs Felstead on **07860 912587** or Mrs Barratt on **07592 504653**.

You can also email: safeguarding@fairmeadschool.com

To report an urgent Safeguarding concern where the young person is at risk of harm:

Please call the **Police** on **999** or

Somerset children: Children's Social Care (Somerset Direct) on **0300 123 2224**. For an out of hours service please call the **Emergency Duty Team** on **0300 123 2327**.

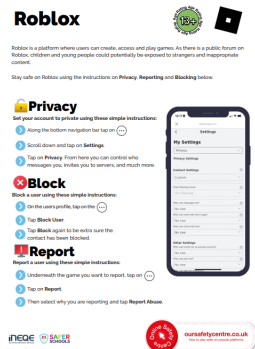
Dorset children: Children's Social Care 01305 228866.

Does your child play on Roblox?

New research has identified that Roblox is the top platform young people feel unsafe using.

The link below has some useful information and resources for parents and carers to help keep their young people safe whilst enjoying the fun that Roblox can offer them.

[Top 5 platforms pupils feel unsafe using](#)





Safer internet day— Tuesday 7th February 2023

The theme this year was 'Want to talk about it? Making space for conversations about life online' Some parents resources can be found within the following links: [Safer internet day resources-2023](https://saferinternet.org.uk/safer-internet-day/safer-internet-day-)

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Reporting harmful content

As part of our safeguarding and online safety curriculum we teach the children how to report things online. A useful guide for parents and carers is found here: <https://reportharmfulcontent.com/>

Parents / carers code of conduct policy

Just like we have expectations of students, staff and visitors within school premises we also extend this to our parents and carers. Like many schools we have adopted a code of conduct for our parents and carers, you can access this through our website or click this link [Parent/carers code of conduct - 2022](#).

What age can my child use...

As a parent, it's important you know that all social media platforms and messaging apps have age limits. Some social networks use technologies that may not be right for some ages or engage with communities made up of people much older than your child. [What age can my child start social networking?](#)



Links to resources & tools

[Safer internet - Parents & carers resources](#)

[National online safety - guides to apps](#)

[Internet Matters](#)

[thinkuknow - help for parents & carers](#)

[NSPCC - online-safety & online-wellbeing](#)

<https://www.ceop.police.uk/Safety-Centre/>