



Temple Meadow
Primary School
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Learning 4 Life—Protective Behaviours

Dear Parents/Carers,

One of our Learning 4 Life units this half term is Protective Behaviours, which we teach every year and is well-embedded into our curriculum. This unit of work focuses on children being safe; knowing how to deal with unsafe issues and also having a strategy called 'Early Warnings' that they use to support themselves.

During Protective Behaviours sessions we explore children's safe networks of people that they trust who can support them with being safe and with making positive choices. Protective Behaviours also has a strong focus on children knowing and valuing their body and developing a clear understanding of the correct names for all body parts.

In line with the Science National Curriculum, staff in school will use the scientific terminology for all body parts, including genitalia (penis, vagina, anus, breasts). We encourage you to use the same terminology at home so that children become more familiar with it. This is a crucial part of our safeguarding culture at Temple Meadow as it ensures children can report injuries or concerns linked to their bodies clearly, with no ambiguity.

We will be running a parent information session on Protective Behaviours again this year in the Autumn term. A separate letter will follow regarding this.

Puberty books to support Parents/Carers:

Linked to our Learning 4 Life (L4L) curriculum, we would like to take this opportunity to remind you that we now have a range of books in school linked to puberty and periods. These books are available for you as Parents/Carers to borrow should you need support explaining such changes to your children. We are in the process of ordering some books focussed on boys and puberty, which should be in school shortly.



Should you wish to borrow one of these books, please make a request via email to tm.admin@meadow.sandwell.sch.uk; this will be passed on to your child's class teacher. A book will then be loaned using our library system, recorded against your child's junior librarian account and sent home discretely in an envelope to you at handover.

Please do familiarise yourself with the book and its contents before sharing with your child. The books are intended to support your own knowledge and guide any discussion with your child.

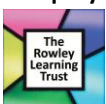
If you do require any further support regarding puberty and supporting your child with this, please do not hesitate to contact myself or a member of the Pastoral Team.

Yours sincerely,

Miss Dale

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Deputy Headteacher & DSL



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