

Safeguarding Newsletter



**THE BAIRD
PRIMARY
ACADEMY**

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Operation Encompass

You may be aware that our academy is part of a new operation, Operation Encompass, that runs jointly with Sussex Police.

Operation Encompass has been designed to provide early reporting to schools / colleges of any domestic abuse incidents that occur in which a child was present, ordinarily resides at the incident location or with an involved party. We know that children can be significantly affected through witnessing or being exposed to domestic abuse and this operation will allow us to better support our pupils and their families.

We are keen to offer the best support available to our pupils and families and we believe this is extremely beneficial for all those involved. Further information can be found on our website.

Swiggle - Child-Friendly Search Engine

Swiggle.org.uk is a friendly search engine aimed at children in Key Stage 2. It has been designed and developed by South-west Grid for Learning, a charity dedicated to empowering the safe and secure use of technology.

Swiggle.org.uk gives children a great start in encouraging responsible online searching. The internet is a vast resource, and some content is not appropriate for children, SWGfL recommends adding Swiggle to your browser or put the Screen Cover link on your bookmark bar.

Swiggle is powered by Google Custom Search, the results are filtered using Google SafeSearch, and SWGfL has configured the results to prioritise educational resources. Swiggle also filters the search terms to check that it is not being used to search for inappropriate content.

Emergency Contacts

There have been a number of occasions recently where we have needed to contact a parent but have been unable to due to the fact that the contact number we had was either incorrect or out of date.

It is vitally important that we have up-to-date contact information for all parents and carers so that we can contact you in the event of an emergency. Please ensure there is at least one additional contact number other than your own and that this is also someone you would still like us to call.

We send a lot of information to parents via email, please advise the office of your email address.

Parents and Carers

Are you worried about your child or a child you know? Are you concerned about their behaviour or wellbeing? Or are you looking for more information and advice?

EduSafe® from EduCare for Education can help!

EduSafe® is a bank of free online resources written by experts that gives key information about important topics, signs to look for and where to go for extra support.

EduSafe® provides you with reliable advice that is easy to access and there when you need it.

For further details please login to

<https://www.educare.co.uk/edusafe>

Young Carers

A number of our pupils are supported in and out of the academy by East Sussex Young Carers.

They support children aged between 5 and 18 years, who are responsible for caring for a family member with a long-term illness, disability, mental health or substance misuse issues.

If you think your child fits this criteria or would like further information please contact Mrs Jarvis.