



SAMARÈS SCHOOL
School Road, St Clement
Jersey, JE2 6TG

Telephone: 01534 735415
Email: admin@samares.sch.je

Head Teacher: Mrs Jenny Posner

Monday 10th October 2022

Dear Parents,

At Samarès School we are committed to working with parents and the wider community to support every child in our school. The safeguarding and welfare of all children at Samarès School is of paramount importance and it is vital that school and parents work together. Each month we send a short update around a specific welfare issue with resources to support you as parents.

Our theme for this month is **E-safety**.

It has come to our attention that there are a lot of children talking about Poppy Playtime at the moment in school across the age ranges. The content of which is inappropriate for the Primary age range. Please see this website which gives more information around this and the concerns we have with it - <https://www.common sense media.org/game-reviews/poppy-playtime>

The content of online videos, platforms and websites is a very challenging environment to navigate as parents but it is crucial that as parents and as staff we are aware of what it is our children are accessing online and we ensure our children feel safe to talk to us when they see or hear something that concerns them online.

Fortunately, there is a lot out there to support us with this issue.

Common Sense Media - <https://www.common sense media.org/> - this is a really useful website to find out more about what your children may be viewing and accessing online and what to watch out for.

Social media - <https://parentingsmart.place2be.org.uk/article/safe-social-media-for-primary-aged-children> and <https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/parents/articles/is-my-child-ready-for-social-media/> are two resources which you may find helpful in supporting your child through the use of social media. Please adhere to the age restrictions on social media platforms. They are there for a reason.

Advice for supporting healthy gaming habits can be found here - <https://parentingsmart.place2be.org.uk/article/supporting-healthy-gaming-habits>

Please do get in touch if you would like further advice or support, or would like to report a safeguarding concern to us.

You can use our new school website to Report a Concern by clicking [here](#) –or you can speak to one of the Safeguarding team (details on our website <https://www.samares.sch.je/page/?title=Safeguarding&pid=9>).

Many thanks,

Mr Lumley
Deputy Headteacher