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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 half term, we send a short update around a specific welfare issue, with resources to support you as parents.


Our topic for this half term is to introduce the safeguarding team at Samarès.

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Our safeguarding team meets weekly and has specific training in safeguarding and supporting children and their families. We work closely with other agencies, such as the Children and Families Hub, to ensure the best support for our pupils and families.

We also work with local agencies and support services outlined below:

## Support Services for Children, Young People and Families




### Children and Families Hub

Information, advice and support for families and young people  
Call: 519000 or email [childrenandfamilieshub@gov.je](mailto:childrenandfamilieshub@gov.je)

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### The YES project (Youth Enquiry Service)



Counselling for ages 13-25  
Freephone: 0800 7350 010  
or visit [yes.je](http://yes.je)

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### Mind Jersey

Mental Health Charity  
Freephone: 0800 7359 404  
or visit [mindjersey.org](http://mindjersey.org)

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### School-Based Counsellors

Available in most secondary schools  
Visit [gov.je/cypmentalhealth](http://gov.je/cypmentalhealth)

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### Mental Health and Wellbeing Drop-In

Young people and families can speak confidentially to a mental health practitioner or youth worker  
Open every Saturday at YES  
Visit [gov.je/cypmentalhealth](http://gov.je/cypmentalhealth)



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### Kooth Jersey



Online counselling and support for ages 10-25  
Visit [kooth.com](http://kooth.com) and "choose Jersey"


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### SAMARITANS

#### Samaritans Jersey

116 123 or email [jo@samaritans.org](mailto:jo@samaritans.org)

For a full list of support available scan here:





#### Out of Hours Mental Health Support

For urgent help call the Emergency Department on 442264 or 999 in an emergency

Parenting support services:

<https://www.gov.je/Caring/HelpSupportChildrenFamilies/Pages/AboutTheChildrenAndFamiliesHub.aspx>

If you have any concerns or would like advice, please do not hesitate to contact a member of the team.

With best wishes,  
Miss Rowland

Deputy Headteacher