



## Tupton Primary and Nursery School

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Welcome to our first Safeguarding Newsletter of the new school year.

The new school year means new members of staff and changes to the senior leadership team. The Designated Safeguarding Lead is Katherine Richards, the deputy Designated Safeguarding Leads are Emma Willock, Jenna Roberts and Linda Shepherd. Debbie Price remains as our Safeguarding Governor and Holly Atkinson has resumed her responsibilities as SENDCO now that she has returned from maternity leave at the beginning of October.

Our School's Pastoral Officer is now Gail ....., who works for P4YP and has taken over the role from Karen Tait.

On one of our INSET days at the beginning of term all members of staff took part in the safeguarding update training which ensures that we are following the most recent guidelines, are aware of our responsibilities and know what to do if we are concerned about a child.

If you are concerned about a child or vulnerable person please speak to a member of staff or contact Social Care through the Call Derbyshire number - 01629 533190.

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### Parking outside School

The start and end of the school day are extremely busy and we are getting increasingly concerned about the parking situation. Cars are being parked on corners, double yellow lines and even over the Zebra crossing. The Safer Neighbourhood team are aware, as are the council. Please park in a place that is safe for you and other people. We appreciate your cooperation and support with this matter.



### NSPCC Assembly

The NSPCC will be visiting school to deliver an assembly to children in Key Stage 1 & 2. Each Key Stage will have an age appropriate assembly about the Speak out Stay safe campaign. It aims to equip children with the knowledge and understanding they need to stay safe from abuse and neglect. Children are taught to speak out if they are worried, either to a trusted adult or Childline

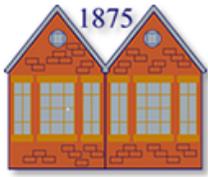
The following week the NSPCC will deliver a workshop to children in Years 5 and 6.

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### Childline Website

Childline have launched a new website [www.childline.org.uk/kids](http://www.childline.org.uk/kids) aimed at children 12 and under. This provides age appropriate content on topics including: bullying, family, friends, feelings, school, abuse and staying safe. It also includes games and therapeutic tools for young visitors to play and express how they are feeling.

## Meet Mrs Emma Willock – our new Pastoral Manager



### Family life

My name is Emma Willock and I am new to the Tupton family. I started my career as a teacher before I realised my passion is working with the children and parents that might need that little bit of extra support to overcome a barrier that they might be facing. Having two little ones myself, I know that family life can be, let's call it challenging at the best of times and can sometimes be extremely stressful. Now when days are getting shorter and darker and Christmas with all the added expectations, things can sometimes be too much for anyone to handle. If you ever feel that you as a parent or carer would benefit from some support for yourself or your child, please let me know. I am working closely with MAT, CAMHS, pastoral office Gail from P4YP, behavior support, and Social care. Whatever barrier you or your little ones are having, there is a lot of support out there that I can help you access.

### Interventions

Now we have let our children settle in in their new classrooms and with their new routines, our interventions will soon be up and running. We have a range of pastoral interventions; anything from work around self-esteem and building confidence, to tackling the Anxiety Gremlin! I will also be running reading booster clubs for both key stages.

Whatever intervention that might have been identified for your child, it will be discussed with you. As their parent, your input here is invaluable to me as I put these interventions together- nobody knows your child better than you. If you feel there is an area where you think your child needs encouragement and support, please let me know!

### What is Kik Messenger?

The app is similar to other message apps such as Facebook Messenger and WhatsApp, However the app is easily hacked and accounts can be set up without identity verification which means anyone can set up an account and communicate anonymously.

### It's very popular amongst children for several reasons:

1. Users are allowed to create anonymous accounts
2. Users don't have to verify their age
3. Parents who monitor their children's devices often overlook Kik, focusing on Facebook, Instagram and Snapchat
4. Kik has a built-in web browser, games, and video access, which makes it a self-contained social network where children can communicate with their peers privately.

Kik is now connected to hundreds of cases of grooming and child exploitation across Australia and the US.

For further information please visit the NSPCC Net-Aware website.

### Is content on Kik suitable for children and young people?

We asked parents and young people about the types of inappropriate content they've seen on Kik. The level of risk is based on the % of respondents who reported seeing these types of content. The ratings are: Low Risk (less than 5% of respondents), Medium Risk (between 5 and 25%), and High Risk (over 25%, or more than one in four).

