## Oswald Road Primary School

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Dear Parents/Carers

## E-Safety Workshop and Drop In Sessions

This half term our new SEAL unit taught across the school will be 'Going for Goals'. This theme focuses primarily on the key aspect of motivation, with a subsidiary focus on self-awareness. It gives an important opportunity for all children's abilities, qualities and strengths to be valued. The theme provides opportunities for children to reflect on themselves as individuals, particularly their strengths as learners and how they learn most effectively. Each set of activities focuses on the underlying prerequisites for successful goal-directed learning and behaviour, for example, taking responsibility and building feelings of confidence and self-efficacy – the belief that what you do makes a difference. Goal directed behaviour is only valuable if we are able to make wise and balanced choices about our goals, so this theme provides opportunities for children to consider this and to practise problem-solving strategies.

As previously mentioned, will be holding our third Pastoral Workshop for Parents and Carers. It will be on Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> January at 9am – 10am with a focus on managing E-Safety, led by Saimah Anwar (One of our link advisors from Manchester Healthy Schools), Debbie Carter and Chris Keeley. It will take place in one of the classrooms in the recently opened, refurbished end of the old building. The workshop will include advice around internet use, gaming and exciting news about our new Computing Curriculum. The next workshop will then be on Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> March and will be a refresher on our Drugs and Alcohol programme taught across the school – Pride 1 and 2 lead by Debbie Carter and Jen Beech. If you would like to attend please return the slip below to the office, we hope to see you there.

In addition to the above Debbie Carter will be running Pastoral Drop In sessions next half term (date to be confirmed). This will be an opportunity to book a 'drop-in' slot with Debbie to discuss anything that you feel is having an impact on your child's wellbeing. This could be anything from changing family relationships, a house move, change of friendship groups etc. We really value the importance and advocate a holistic approach to child development taking into account children's emotional, social and moral needs, this is a meeting to discuss pastoral issues and therefore the focus will not be on academic progress.

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Donna Wealleans Assistant Headteacher				
FAO Debbie Carter – Spring 2 Pride Workshop				
Child's Name:			Class:	
I will be attending the Pride Workshop on Thursday 12 <sup>th</sup> March			[ ]	
Signed:	(Parent/Carer)	Date:		



