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Dear Parent/Guardian

Later this term, Acorn, Willow and Hazel Classes will be discussing the NSPCC's Underwear Rule in our PSHE lessons. During these discussions we will aim to teach our pupils the following important safety skills, without giving explicit information or telling scary stories. We will be teaching our pupils the NSPCC's Underwear Rule, using the 'PANTS' acronym, which is like a green cross code for staying safe from sexual abuse.

PANTS stands for:

- **P**rivates are private
- **A**lways remember your body belongs to you
- **N**o means no
- **T**alk about secrets that upset you
- **S**peak up, someone can help

The lessons will introduce a range of ideas, all delivered in a way that's fully age appropriate. These include:

- "Appropriate" and "inappropriate" touching
- Your child's right to say no to things that make them feel upset or uncomfortable
- Naming parts of the body
- Who your child can turn to if they ever feel upset or worried.

If you would like to know more about the NSPCC's campaign and see how you can help keep your children safe in partnership with our school, more information can be found at www.nspcc.org.uk/underwearrule and please follow this link for the *Underwear Rule: Guide for Parents* - <https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/support-for-parents/pants-underwear-rule/>

If you have any questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to get in touch.

Yours faithfully
Mrs. Edington
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