

TAURANGA Primary School



Tuesday 22nd August

Dear Parents

During weeks 7 – 10 of this term, we will be teaching the personal safety programme ***Keeping Ourselves Safe***.

Keeping Ourselves Safe has been designed to give students the skills to cope in situations involving abuse. It has three overall aims:

- to develop and strengthen children's skills to keep themselves safe with other people;
- to support and encourage abused children to get help from caring adults;
- to make teachers and parents/caregivers more aware of the need to keep children safe from abuse by adults or other children.

Keeping Ourselves Safe will be taught by your child's teacher, with support from the local Police School Community Officer.

To be successful, ***Keeping Ourselves Safe*** needs your help and support. It is important that you participate as much as possible and talk to your child about what they have been learning. This will help reinforce the messages the school is giving, and help your child to use his or her new skills with confidence.

We have arranged a parent information session to provide you with information on the programme, this will be presented by our local Police School Community Officer. In the past some parents were surprised by the content of this programme, such as the correct anatomical names for body parts and conversations around good and bad touching. If you have questions around this we highly recommend you attend the meeting outlined below.

Parent information meeting will be held as follows:

- Date: Tuesday 29th August
- Time: 2:30pm – 3:00pm
- Venue: School Staffroom

Please complete the reply slip below if you will be attending this meeting.

If you have any questions please do not hesitate to get in contact.

Yours sincerely

Jamie De La Haye
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Keeping Ourselves Safe Parent/Caregiver Meeting
Please return to the school office.

Child's name: _____

Child's teacher: _____

YES, we will be coming to the meeting.

Number attending: _____

Parent's signature: _____