

## **Safeguarding Governor survey of Pupils' Views - June 2022**

Groups of children from Y1/2, Y3/4 and Y5/6 were came to meet AM and LB to answer our Pupil Voice questions.

Questions were asked relating to safety both in school and online. St George's has always been very active in educating the children about safety of all types from anti-bullying to online safety and personal safety.

It was clear that the children were enjoying being back at school and having their friends around them, but also having the opportunity to learn new things.

At all ages the children were very aware of what did and didn't make them feel safe both in school and out of school. They knew who they could go to if they didn't feel safe, either their parents, teachers or an adult at school, their friends or Flutterby Friends. All children knew how to identify Flutterby Friends if they needed help.

The main way children felt safe at school is having people they could trust. Both adults and older children.

The areas children felt least safe were outside and for the older children on their way home – feeling uneasy sometimes if strange people were walking in their direction.

All ages were also aware of online bullying, but they knew how they could prevent it, by switching off games, not accepting strangers as friends etc or simply not playing the game.

When it comes to the schools' approach to bullying the children did say that school does get people to stop doing it. They watch everyone in the playground and everyone listens to the teachers. School also has rules in place eg use kind hands and feet which tell you what you should be doing. One child feels the school is actually bulletproof when it comes to bullying.

Overall, the children feel safe, secure, and listened to at school. They know who to go to if they need to. They know how to protect themselves online and outside of school also and most of all love being at St George's.

### **How has the year at St George's been for you so far?**

Like being at school

Like playing with friends – couldn't do that if we were at home

It's good to be at school to learn new things

### **What does being safe mean for you?**

Being happy

Being peaceful

No-one can hurt you

Sometimes its fun to feel frightened  
You don't get harmed, and you're not upset  
You're not frightened or scared  
Nothing can hurt you

**How safe do you feel at school?**

Feel safe as you can always trust somebody  
At school there are adults you can trust

**Where do you feel least safe and why?**

Feel least safe outside as someone might hurt you  
When inside feel safe as no-one allowed in  
Feel safe at school as there are adults you can trust  
Sometime adults can follow you when you go walk home and it makes me feel uncomfortable but if I don't feel safe I know I can tell my parents

**What would you do/who would you talk to if you felt unsafe or are worried about something or someone?**

Would go to my brother or a teacher  
Would speak about it with a friend and then go to a teacher together  
Go to Flutterby Friends – they wear the purple hoodies and can go in both playgrounds  
Go to friends in your own class or Y6  
Would talk to teachers or parents  
Didn't tell anyone in school but told my parent and the bullying stopped  
What ideas or suggestions do you have to make school a safer place for everyone?  
Put up walls instead of gates

**What do you understand bullying to be?**

Telling people to do something every day  
Hitting people everyday  
Being mean  
Doing something to someone that they don't like

Using not nice words

I would get a teacher or older brother

Makes you feel sad and a bit angry

Fighting and using bad words

Physical harm or bad words constantly

Someone who is rude and has a bad attitude with everyone

Girls stay away from trouble

**What do you understand online bullying to be?**

Things on phone or iPad or laptop

Sending bad messages on a game

**How do you make sure that you keep yourself safe online?**

If someone starts to talk to you then you can turn it off – the game

You can delete the game or person

Don't play the game again if you have been bullied online

Play single player games

Don't use chat

Only add friends you know

Don't play the game again

**Have you ever been or seen anyone being bullied?**

My brother bullies me to home

Have been bullied and felt angry and sad

I've not seen anyone being bullied for a while

**How seriously do you feel that school takes the issue of bullying?**

School is bulletproof with bullying

**What does school do to help stop bullying?**

They tell people to stop doing it

They watch everyone in the playground

We have Flutterby friends

It happens most outside on the field

School rules for kind hands and feet

Get everyone to listen to the teachers