Dear Parent/Carer,

Together we have been working with West Sussex County Council and the West Sussex Local Safeguarding Children Board to raise awareness of Child Sexual Exploitation (CSE), a form of sexual abuse that involves the manipulation and/or coercion of young people under the age of 18 into sexual activity.

It can happen to anyone and we want to make sure our pupils remain vigilant and are aware of the dangers. We have started by explaining what a healthy relationship looks like, what the word consent means and how to stay safe online.

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As you may have heard from your children, we have already begun raising awareness in school by showcasing a performance of Chelsea’s Choice, a real story about a girl who became a victim of CSE. The performance has already been shown in 72 locations and has been watched by over 11,000 young people across the county.

As part of the awareness raising campaign we are looking to showcase a performance of Chelsea’s Choice delivered by Alter Ego Creative Solutions. This is a real story about a girl who became a victim of CSE. The play has already been shown in 72 locations and has been watched by over 11,000 young people across the county. It has been proven as a great educational tool and we are looking forward to having it at our school.

In addition to the learning that we are providing at school, we think it is vital that you have enough relevant information to keep your children safe.

Therefore, please find enclosed a leaflet on CSE which has been designed to provide you with how to spot the signs, where to get help and advice and how to talk to your child if you have any concerns. We have also enclosed an online safety guide. We hope you find this a useful tool in keeping your child safe online.

Please be aware, CSE is happening in West Sussex and there is support available for anyone affected.

Together, we can stop CSE.

If you have any concerns please report them to myself or the schools Designated Safeguarding Officer Mr/Mrs *insert name.*

Kind Regards,

Headteacher *insert name.*