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Dear Parents,

Re: PSHE & Safeguarding workshop in Year 5

In line with the expectation of the Government's key document "Keeping Children Safe in Education 2016" which places a duty on schools to educate children about how to keep themselves safe, the school has organised a workshop for children in Year 5 to participate in which is led by the charity FORWARD UK. FORWARD (Foundation for Women's Health Research and Development) is committed to gender equality and safeguarding the rights of African girls and women. They work through partnerships in the UK, Europe and Africa to transform lives, tackling discriminatory practices that affect the dignity and wellbeing of girls and women.

The focus of the primary age workshop is on body awareness and safety. The workshops took place in school last year with our year 5 & 6 children and were completely age appropriate and very well received by the children. At Hillcross we are very proud to reflect the national safeguarding agenda in supporting the development of proactive safeguarding work particularly in the field of safety for young girls and women.

These important workshops will take place on Tuesday 16th May. There will be informal opportunities after each workshop for the children to raise any personal concerns in a confidential manner if they wish to do so. There is information on the safeguarding page of the school website with regard to FGM should you wish to find out about this for yourself but please note that this leaflet is for parents only.

Yours sincerely,

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Lisa Francis

Headteacher

