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RE: SPHE

Dear parent/guardian,

We are planning to use a programme called Lockers as part of your child's Social, Personal and Health Education (SPHE) and Relationships and Sexuality Education (RSE) programme. Lockers is an education resource developed to support schools as they address the issue of non-consensual sharing of intimate images (sometimes referred to as 'sexting') in the context of the SPHE class.

This resource emphasises the fact that the creation and sharing of intimate pictures and videos by minors is illegal. The resource also sets out to foster empathy, respect and resilience among young people affected by non-consensual sharing and to help young people understand the consequences of sharing intimate content online.

The Lockers programme was developed by Webwise, the internet safety initiative of the Department of Education and Skills and has been endorsed by all the partners in education.

As you are the primary educator of your child in the area of relationships and sexuality, it is very important that our RSE programme is planned in consultation with you. Please feel free to familiarise yourself with the content of the Lockers programme, at www.webwise.ie/teachers/resources, and to contact the school if you wish to discuss the programme further.

This programme will be delivered during SPHE lessons this school term.

Yours faithfully/sincerely,

Chris Gueret

Wellbeing Co-Ordinator

Mol an Óige agus Tiocfaidh sí