

Our school Designated Safeguarding Leads are:

# Mrs Petchey, Mrs Stolworthy, Mrs Eaglen, Miss Alderton, Ms Connor, Mrs Derer and Mrs Burman

Please speak to one of these members of staff if you are worried or concerned about the safety of a child.



If you have a safeguarding concern about a child out of school hours, the number to ring is:

CADS - Children's Advice and Duty Service - 0344 800 8020

Mrs Derer our school Parent Support Advisor and

Mrs Burman and Miss Alderton our school Pastoral Leads and ELSA trained staff are on our school playground every morning from 8:45am. Mrs Derer our school Parent Support Advisor is on our playground every Monday, Thursday and Friday morning from 8:45am.

Mrs Burman, Miss Alderton and Mrs Derer are always happy to talk to you about any worries or concerns relating to your child at home or any further support we may be able to offer or signpost you to.

### **ONLINE SAFETY**



# What Parents & Carers Need to Know about

WHAT ARE THE RISKS? Microtransactions (often abbreviated as "MTX") are digital purchases made within an app or game to unlock extra features or additional content such as new levels. A popular sub-set of these are loot boxes, which contain a selection (usually random) of virtual terms from characterist inside game-changing equipment like better weapons. Microtransactions (and loot boxes in particular) are now widespread in apps and games, but concerns persist that they normalise gambling and can loster addictive behaviours — especially among younger players.

## GATEWAY TO GAMBLING?

### ADDICTIVE NATURE

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#### **PAYING TO WIN**

## DATA COLLECTION **EXCLUSIVE** CONTENT

GAMER

### SATELLITE SPENDING

# Advice for Parents & Carers

#### DO YOUR RESEARCH

#### CHAT ABOUT 'CHANCE'

#### (GIFT) CARDS ON THE TABLE

#### STOP SPENDING AT SOURCE

light decide that the wisest strategy is to remove the potential ending money on microtransactions. If so, most games, apps evices have options in their settings to help you manage what your can spend — or to disable that function altogether, preventing them buying additional items for their games or boosted functionality for

#### WATCH FOR THE SIGNS

sure worried that your child's passion for a particular game pp may tempt them into habitual spanding on microtransactions, important to remember the indicators of addictive behaviour. Solility, a lock of concentration and prioritising recreational screen, a chead of homework or mealtimes could all be signs that you need to a conversation about a more balanced routine.

#### Meet Our Expert

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