

# Barnes Farm Junior School

Henniker Gate, Chelmer Village,  
Essex CM2 6QH

Head Teacher: Mr R McTaggart  
Tel: 01245 467973  
Fax: 01245 461947

E-mail : [admin@barnesfarm-jun.essex.sch.uk](mailto:admin@barnesfarm-jun.essex.sch.uk)  
Website: <https://barnes-farm-junior.eschools.co.uk>



15 September 2016

## **STRANGER DANGER IN 2016** **E-SAFETY TRAINING WORKSHOPS Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> September 2016**

Dear Parents and Carers,

Your child's safety is our most important priority.

With this in mind, we have arranged for your child to receive some updated training from 'The 2 Johns' - CEOP accredited ambassadors (Child Exploitation and Online Centre) with an Essex Police background, on how to keep safe when online.

This will be held on **Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> September** in the afternoon. Y3/4 pupils will receive a 40 mins workshop and Y5/6 will receive an hour. This training is **FREE**.

In the evening, the same trainers will be holding an event for parents to attend.

This workshop will be run by DS John Woodley and DC John Staines from Essex Police who will have delivered the training to your children. The session is on **from 7pm-9pm** at the main school hall and is for **parents/carers only**. We are providing a limited free crèche facility in the Barn too for school aged pupils.

I cannot encourage you enough to attend so that you are fully informed about this crucial area of your child's development.

All those requiring a space at this popular event, need to pay the required **£2 charge per person** to book a place on ParentPay from today.

**Parent Workshop description from the EST website [www.esafetytraining.org](http://www.esafetytraining.org)**

*"When you think about Stranger Danger are you thinking of a white van outside a school or a man with a dog that has just had puppies?*

*In 2016 the Danger of Strangers to our children has never been more profound and has never been more removed from the lessons we learnt growing up. There is a complex web of reasons why children subject to online sexual exploitation will not disclose to us. This is as a result of grooming techniques used by paedophiles but more alarmingly is worsened by our current approach both as teachers and parents.*

*John and John wrote, produced and have been presenting the 'Walk Online' roadshow in Southend and Thurrock. To date this has been seen by over 14000 children. Throughout March this year we have presented an updated version of the Roadshow for the Thurrock Safeguarding*

*Children's Board which was seen by all year 5, 10 and 11 students in the District.*

*Over the past 3 years John and John have been key speakers at numerous major events including the Essex Headteachers conference, Essex Deputy Headteachers conference, the Essex Safeguarding Children's Board conference and the Rape Crisis conference*

*At the end of events we believe you will have a much greater understanding of what children are doing online and will have a much better chance of keeping them safe. We will be covering many new and emerging apps that have appeared over the last year.*

*The aim of events is to change your perspective of what our children's lives look like online and to make you challenge many of your current thought processes when trying to keep children safe from today's hidden harms."*

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Ross McTaggart', with a stylized, cursive script.

Ross McTaggart  
Headteacher