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Dear Parents

Re: Ukraine

Given the worrying events in Ukraine, we are mindful there are some children who may be stressed and anxious in light of the very unsettling events. We are reassuring the children that there are people who are trying to help those affected by this war.

Over the coming days and weeks, we are continuing to check in with all children, and all staff are keeping a close eye on our 'Worry Boxes', which are used as a confidential means of communication.

The following websites have been recommended for parents who would like support on how to manage the situation at home. Please read through these links to ensure they are appropriate for your family.

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<u>Click here</u> for help on supporting your child if they see upsetting content online about what is happening in Ukraine <u>Click here</u> for help on how families can talk to pupils about Russia's invasion of Ukraine and how to help them avoid misinformation

The news and social media feeds are filled with the latest information and some of it is very upsetting and worrying. Children need to be aware that there is a lot of misinformation going around on social media platforms which may frighten them and these can't be trusted as reliable sources of information. Some parents are closely monitoring the platforms their children are using and their screen time.

Our thoughts are with everyone in Ukraine, their relatives abroad, and anyone affected by the conflict in any way. With my best wishes to you and your families.

Yours sincerely

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