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Ukraine Crisis

Dear Parents and Carers,

It is with great sadness that we write to you expressing our deep concern about the critical situation that is unfolding in Ukraine and neighbouring countries.

The stream of information that flows from media platforms can be hard for us, as adults, to absorb and comprehend. This sense of confusion and worry is only amplified amongst our children – they are simply too young to process the images and words about conflict and family fragmentation.

For this reason, can we please urge you to be vigilant in monitoring and limiting the exposure they are receiving. This would include discussion amongst adults they may overhear – they pick up on so much more than we often realise.

Please understand, we are not telling you how to bring up your children. But we should mention that in school we are starting to hear discussions amongst some of the older children that indicate their growing concerns, specifically about war and destruction of homes. Shielding these young minds from potential anxiety is surely an appropriate measure to take.

All the best,

Bryn Jones and the FIS team

Should you wish to support the Ukraine Humanitarian Appeal, the Disaster Emergency Committee (DEC) is asking for donations of money (not resources). In this way they can provide the correct support to the charities and their local partners in Ukraine and in neighbouring countries providing food, water, shelter and medical assistance.

Please google 'DEC' or use the link below to make donations.

<https://www.dec.org.uk/appeal/ukraine-humanitarian-appeal>