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Thursday 19th November 2015

Dear parents, carers, families and friends,

Today, all of our thoughts and prayers are with the family and friends of Kayleigh Haywood.

For all of our children and their families, we know, this has been a very difficult week. You're having conversations at home about things that are hard even for adults to understand, let alone explain. The news, internationally and now so very close to home, is hard to bear.

We've talked a lot with the children in school over the last few days about their concerns, about feeling safe and about caring for and listening to each other. As always, the children have been brilliant and we've felt very proud of their thoughtfulness, sensitivity and kindness. It's been a challenging week for the adults in school too - on your behalf, I'd like to thank them for their very hard work and great care in supporting all of our young people at this time.

If you used it, I hope that you've found the advice on the school website helped. We'll leave the links there on the Home Page 'Important message'. If we can help any of our families in any way, please let us know. We're here for our families as well as our children.

We've been asked to let you know that the Greenhill Youth Centre in Coalville and the Youth Centre in Measham will both be open today from 4pm to 8pm, for any parents, families or young people who want to talk or who would appreciate support. There will be members of staff available to offer support to anyone who needs it.

There will be a candlelit vigil at Measham St Lawrence Church this evening from 6pm.

Yours sincerely,

Lou Harrison (Headteacher)

