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Dear Parents and Carers,

We are writing to inform you that on Wednesday 28th +June, your child will have the opportunity to watch a play delivered by the GW Theatre Company entitled, 'Mister Shapeshifter'. This is a unique and acclaimed performance, organised by the Department of Children's Education, to raise awareness of Child Sexual Exploitation and Abuse.

As part of Bradford Council's ongoing approach and commitment to safeguarding our children and young people from Child Sexual Exploitation and Abuse, they have secured funding from the Community Safety Partnership and the West Yorkshire Wide CSE Awareness Project to commission the GW Theatre Company to deliver 56 performances of the play that they have developed to address these challenging and sensitive issues with Year 6 pupils. 33 schools throughout Bradford have signed up to receive this performance and the responses and feedback have been overwhelmingly positive so far. The production (with its supporting resources) is now widely regarded as a ground breaking piece of work for younger children.

GW Theatre Company has a reputation for producing powerful, entertaining and funny plays which are very successful at engaging young people's heads and hearts in order to achieve a lasting and sustained impact. It is known also for working in close and very effective partnerships with local authorities and all key agencies.

Mister Shapeshifter is an exciting, very modern, fairy tale about how some adults abuse childrens' trust and how children can protect themselves. This will be delivered in a child-appropriate and sensitive manner and builds on the safeguarding work your children have already done e.g. the internet safety work.

We are sure you will agree that the opportunity to educate and protect our children is paramount and addressing these issues in a creative and inspirational way will work towards achieving this.

If you have any concerns or questions about the performance or any subsequent follow up sessions, please do not hesitate to contact us and we will discuss with you further.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs Atherton, Miss Broadbent and Miss Armitage Year 6 Teaching Team