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### Staying Safe at Barr Beacon School – Autumn Safety

Dear Parents/Carers,

As we move into the autumn and winter months, we have been asked by West Midlands Police to share some important safety reminders.

With darker evenings, Halloween and Bonfire Night approaching, please take a few minutes to talk to your child about staying safe.

Key reminders:

- **Stay visible:** Encourage children to use well-lit, familiar routes, carry a torch and wear bright or reflective clothing when out after dark.
- **Stay connected:** Make sure children tell you where they are going and when they expect to return. Consider enabling location sharing and device tracking through devices like an AirTag.
- **Keep valuables safe:** Phones, headphones and other valuables should be kept out of sight when not needed. A reminder that we are a no mobile phone school.
- **Be safe at home:** Remember to lock doors, windows and gates, even when you are at home.
- **Cycling:** Ensure bikes have working lights and reflectors and that children wear a properly fitted helmet.
- **Halloween:** Children should trick-or-treat with a responsible adult or trusted group, stay together and respect residents who do not wish to participate. Never enter a stranger's home.
- **Bonfire Night:** Attend an organised fireworks display. If using fireworks at home, ensure they are handled only by responsible adults and follow all safety guidance.

Please take the opportunity to discuss these simple safety messages with your child. A little preparation can help everyone enjoy the autumn and winter months safely.

Thank you for your continued support.

Yours sincerely,

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