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Dear Parents,

Re: "Squid Game" on Netflix

We have been very concerned to hear some of our children talking about the Netflix series, Squid Game, in nursery. Some of the children have watched it, others have heard siblings, cousins talking about it.

The level of violence is very intense in Squid Game. Characters are systematically tortured and killed for the sadistic pleasure of a game master. Adults have sex, and there are threats of sexual violence. Women are grabbed by the hair and beaten.

Themes concerning the highs one gets from gambling, winning or conning money are a main focus.

Please, do not be deceived by the large smiling doll that is shown on the poster – this series takes playground games and turns them into violent horror.

Squid Game is not for children and has been rated certificate 15, it is much too disturbing for them to watch and could frighten them badly.

Children will often want to watch the same things as their older siblings – this is definitely not appropriate. It might be worth talking to your older children to explain how frightening films like this could be to their younger brothers and sisters.

Kind regards

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