In addition to advocacy for expanded Vulnerable Sector Checks, we continue to implement a centralized tracking system of misconduct, as well as expand our training for staff to recognize and report predatory behaviour or warning signs.

We will maintain our transparency with you because we believe that many organizations can learn from this to strengthen their own systems in the interest of community safety. Many of you have reached out over the past two weeks, some with questions and others offering words of support. Although this has been a difficult time for many of us, we are committed to strengthening the Public Schools Branch.

Lastly, we remind families of the guidance we shared last week about how to talk to children about upsetting global or local events. There are also excellent suggestions on the Commit To Kids website which can be found here. The Public Schools Branch also has resources available for any students who may be struggling - please reach out to your school if your child has any specific needs.

Sincerely,

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