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Dear Brass Castle School Parents,

During the next few weeks, we will be participating in the Child Assault Prevention (CAP) Project for students in grades 4 and 6. The success of the CAP project depends on the support of the school community. Every year the NJ CAP program trains approximately 100,000 children and 15,000 adults.

The CAP Program aims to prevent child assault by teaching children to recognize and deal with potentially dangerous situations, and by training teachers and parents to help prevent the victimization of children. The program has three components: a parent program, a teacher/staff in service, and individual classroom workshops for children. We invite you to attend the CAP VIRTUAL parent workshop on **Thursday, April 15th @ 6:30 pm in the Zoom. [CAP Parent Zoom Link](#) (Zoom Meeting # 218 034 0753 Passcode: HWCAP).**

This program includes information on child sexual assault, identification of child assault victims, reporting of abuse, and crisis counseling skills. There will also be a detailed description of the children's workshop.

The classroom workshop consists of guided group discussions of children's rights and role plays designed to help children recognize and deal effectively with potentially dangerous situations including child against child (bullying), adult stranger against child, and assault involving a known adult. Discussions help children identify what options they have to protect themselves. The strategies presented are self-assertion, peer support, and telling a trusted adult. If you choose to not permit your child to attend this workshop, you must notify the classroom teacher via email by **Friday, April 16, 2021.**

For additional information on the CAP program you may wish to visit their website at www.njcap.org and view their CAP Community Affairs video at <http://njcap.org/cap-new-community-affairs-video/>.

Please remember, if you choose **NOT** to have your child participate in the CAP program and attend this child safety workshop, you must notify your student's classroom teacher via email by **Friday April 16, 2021.**

Thank you,

Jessica Garcia
Brass Castle Principal

