



# École Pauline Johnson

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## Responding to Unforeseen and Frightening Events

In response to recent events, the Ministry of Children and Family Development's Child & Youth Mental Health team has organized a free webinar with two date options to provide essential tools and information to support children and youth after frightening events. This informative webinar is designed to equip parents, caregivers and community members with strategies to help children and youth cope with frightening events. Please see this [flyer](#) for session highlights and details on how to register.

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