

How we've worked with primary schools this term...

Hate Crime Awareness Week 2022: We delivered some online sessions about hate crime for pupils in year 5. We explained that offences committed because of a person's 'protected characteristics' may constitute hate incidents or hate crimes. We talked about the impact of hate crime on victims and children had the chance to ask one of our Safer Schools Police Officers questions related to the subject. The sessions were attended by 1760 year 5 pupils from a number of Norfolk schools.

Crucial Crew: We attended all Crucial Crew events between September and November and spoke to 1725 year 6 pupils about staying safe online. 81.5% % of these children had devices that can access the internet. Gaming continues to be the thing that young people of this age do the most online, with 70% saying they are regular gamers. Instagram is falling out of favour with only 14% saying they use it regularly. Tik Tok continues to be popular and 54% of young people said they use it regularly.

Say No. Don't Go: We have started delivering a session called "Say No. Don't Go" in a selection of primary schools as part of our Safer Schools Pilot. The session is about County Lines and is for year 6 pupils. It has been well-received and has highlighted that this issue needs to be discussed early in order to raise young people's awareness of the risks of County Lines involvement.



How we've worked with secondary schools this term...

Key Messages: Our Key Message presentations continue to be popular in secondary schools. Our Safer Schools Support Workers have got stuck in delivering these across the county. So far, the stats look like this:

Year 7 Internet Safety – 2002 young people reached.

Year 8 – County Lines and Knife Crime – 2430 young people reached.

Year 9 – Grooming – 2312 young people reached.

Year 10 – Abuse in Relationships – 1685 young people reached.

Virtual Work Experience: We are running our Virtual Work Experience programme during the weeks 10th to 14th July 2023 and 17th to 21st July 2023. These are for students in *year 12*. Students can access the application form <u>here</u>.

Other Useful Information

Oil Theft – We're aware of an increase in the number of home heating oil thefts over recent weeks. Please ensure your oil tank is locked and out of sight of potential thieves.

Christmas Presents – Remember, when purchasing Christmas presents, don't leave them on show in your home or car. Keep them out of sight.

E-Scooters – Be aware of the law if you're planning on getting these for your children for Christmas. Unless it is part of a Government-backed scheme (such as Beryl in Norwich, or Ginger in Great Yarmouth) you cannot ride an e-scooter on a public road, cycle lane or pavement. The only place an e-scooter can be used is on private land.

Safer Schools Newsletter

Autumn Term 2022

Hi everyone! Here's an update on what we've been up to in the Safer Schools and Youth Engagement Teams this Autumn Term 2022.

If you have any comments or questions about the newsletter, please email sspteam@norfolk.pnn.police.uk
Norfolk Constabulary Safer Schools Team

Remember, safeguarding young people is everyone's responsibility #SaferSchools

Norfolk Police Non-emergency 101 / Emergency 999

Mental Health and Wellbeing If you, or someone you know, are struggling with your mental health, go to www.kooth.com (for 11 – 25 year olds) and www.qwell.io (for those aged 18+) to sign up.

Online Safety Webinars – We will be delivering some Online Safety Webinars on Safer Internet Day (February 7th 2023) for parents and carers and anyone who looks after children and young people. We will be teaming up with our colleagues in Prevent (Counter Terrorism), Cyber Security and Safeguarding Children Online Team (SCOLT), raising awareness of the risks young people face online and how to mitigate these. Keep an eye on your inbox and our Twitter and Facebook pages for further information.

Visit <u>www.natonalonlinesafety.com</u> for information about games, apps and online safety.

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