

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

We have attended a number of primary schools this term and have had a great time talking to children in key stage 1 and 2 about issues such as keeping safe when out and about, respecting others and hate crime.

We have attended Crucial Crew this term and during the events in April and May, we spoke to 1513 year 6 pupils about staying safe online. We found that 97% of these children had devices that can access the internet. Online gaming was by far the most popular thing that they reported doing online, with 75% saying they do this regularly. Tik Tok was reported as the most popular social media platform for these children, with 57% using it regularly. When asked if they had ever seen anything that they didn't like, or that worried them when they were online, there were quite a few nods, with one pupil saying "every day", which is very concerning.

We will be delivering our internet safety webinars for parents, carers and professionals who work with young people, in the new academic year. We're updating the content of these so please make sure you join, even if you've attended one before. We'll be emailing schools with information about these webinars in due course and you can also keep an eye on @SaferSchoolsNfk on Twitter.



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

As usual we have been delivering our Key Messages in secondary schools this term:

Year 7 Internet Safety – 3325 young people reached.

Year 8 – County Lines and Knife Crime – 1616 young people reached.

Year 9 – Grooming – 2298 young people reached.

Year 10 – Relationship Abuse – 1821 young people reached.

We have been a member of staff down this term so if your school hasn't received their key messages we will be getting in touch again in the new academic year.

We're excited to announce that we have a new member of staff in the Youth Engagement Team who will be starting with us in the new academic year and will be supporting schools and delivering assemblies in the Norwich, Broadland and Great Yarmouth areas.

Other Useful nformation

Underage E-Cigarette Use – Norfolk Trading Standards have seen a sizeable increase the reporting of sales of e-cigarettes to under 18s and are working with retailers to prevent this. There are also concerns about illegal e-cigarettes and refills that contain more than the allowed amounts of nicotine and e-liquid, which can be very dangerous.

If you have concerns about retailers who may be selling e-cigarettes to young people (under the age of 18), or selling e-cigarettes that may be fake, you can report this using the Citizens Advice Consumer Helpline **0808 223 1133**, or by going to www.citizensadvice.org.uk

Water Safety – As the weather hots up it's tempting to go for a dip to cool off. Visit the RNLI website www.rnli.org.uk for water safety advice.

Safer Schools Newsletter

Summer Term 2022

Hi everyone! Here's an update on what we've been up to in the Safer Schools and Youth Engagement Teams this Summer 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 – Remember that Kooth, the mental health and wellbeing service for young people, now have a service available for adults called Qwell. We all need a bit of support sometimes regardless of our age, so 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 – As usual when school's out we're reminding you to remain mindful of what your children are accessing online. Talk to them about what apps they're using and consider downloading the 'National Online Safety' app, or visiting the website www.natonalonlinesafety.com for information about games, apps and keeping young people safe online.

Click here to access a guide about how to talk to your children about online sexual harassment.

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