

Leeds Safeguarding

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Dealing with missing children

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Dear Parent / Carer / Guardian

Within Leeds District the Police deal with an enormous amount of missing children every week. Every incident is distressing and traumatic for the family involved.

The police are asking if you could help reduce the number of missing children by ensuring that when your child's friend stays overnight at your home address, you have personally spoken to the friend's parent/carer/Guardian to ensure they know where their child is staying.

We want to keep young people safe and avoid the upset of having officers attending at your address in the early hours to find a young person who has been reported missing. Young people do not always tell their parents where they are staying, they may have said they have permission when in fact they don't.

West Yorkshire Police would like you to assist in being vigilant and responsible, helping to reduce the number of missing children with just one short phone call to the child's carer to ensure everyone is aware.

Should you need to report a missing person, please contact 101.

On behalf of West Yorkshire Police I would like to thank you for your assistance with this and let us all work together to keep your children safe.

Yours faithfully

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