

Newsletter for Schools March 2019 – Issue 3

Hello Friends,

Welcome to our March Newsletter 😊

Thank-you for the positive comments I received after the October Newsletter. I hope you continue to find items of interest in supporting positive outcomes for your students and safeguarding against potential risks.

Community Cohesion with the Project Polish

2018 marked the 100th anniversary of Poland's Independence and there are commemorations running until 2021. As part of these commemorations, there is a Project linking UK schools and Polish



communities. With over one million Polish citizens in the UK, the purpose of this Project is to promote stronger community cohesion, with a focus on the Polish community. Hold the Ctrl key and click the pic to find out more.



How to Deal with Indecent Images of Children: Advice for Parents, Teachers and Third Party Professionals

We now have an external advice link created by West Yorkshire Police Ilearn, which includes a short video for teachers and other adults who work with children.

Hold Ctrl and click the picture to go to the link.

Serious and Organised Crime in West Yorkshire

You may think this doesn't affect you or your school, and pass this article by... but please read on...



We have children in our schools - from all backgrounds, as young as 10 years, from all districts, who are being groomed to take risks without understanding the consequences. It is not restricted to certain areas, schools or children. Every child could potentially become a victim of child criminal exploitation which may involve drugs selling or trafficking, sexual exploitation, theft, money laundering and more.



We have a free input to inform children about the risks and how to stay safe. Ask your Safer Schools Officer or PCSO, or contact me. Click <u>HERE</u> for information and resources.







Know This Logo? (It's an app for us to know and promote!!)

<u>what3words</u> is a GPS location app which pinpoints your location to within 3 meters. It divides the world up into 3 meter squares and gives the location a unique 3 word 'code'. 'Why not just drop a pin in whatsapp to share location?' I hear you ask. The issue with

location apps is that they are far less accurate (15-20 meters), some areas aren't even covered at all! <u>what3words</u> is incredibly precise and is already proving invaluable in

other



pinpointing locations of crime or need. The website is fascinating, and well worth a look. Click the pic for more information. There are a number of videos which show the uses of the app;



<u>Videos</u>

<u>Emergency services video</u> <u>Humanitarian video</u>

The app is supported by WYP and is being used by our Call Contact Centre (CCC). I have created a poster to promote the app (attached to main Newsletter).



West Yorkshire Police Cyber Contest Winners!

Students from Carlton Bolling School, Bradford, recently received their prize tour of Carr Gate Police Station for their winning entry in the West Yorkshire Police Cyber Contest. The team of 7 saw the Police helicopter, horses, drones and indoor training arena and listened to wonderfully informative talk from police volunteer Wendy Fryer. In return they showed Wendy their winning drama scenario and chief rapper Daniel lead their rap on how to stay safe online.





I'm already looking forward to next year's entries as this competition is going from strength to strength!

Watch this space for details of the next contest!



The Matrix Challenge 2019 – Computer Coding Competition

A roadshow will run between **6th May and 10th May** during which, members of our cyber team will visit schools and hold two sessions for students with an interest in technology, IT or coding. Each session will run for an hour and students will complete the game and be given safety advice. The finals on 6th July will be held at York Racecourse.

If you don't get a place on the roadshow, your school can still run the game and enter the challenge. Please contact DC Steve Pugh directly to book your school's place on the roadshow. (Newsletter attachments explain more).

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Can You Help fill in Our Survey?

West Yorkshire Police are involved in a project to deliver a programme of early intervention projects, with the aim of preventing serious violence within our communities. As part of the project, <u>Simon Phillips</u> is co-ordinating a mapping and profiling exercise to identify the range and content of early interventions across West Yorkshire, delivered by statutory organisations and third sector



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community and voluntary groups and organisations. Early Intervention addresses the physical, emotional or cognitive factors affecting young people, however, this exercise is particularly concerned with the behavioural and/or criminal factors which may make a young person vulnerable to committing different types of crime.

A survey has been designed to build a picture of Early Interventions within West Yorkshire. Please could you complete this on behalf of your organisation or service. It may be that you need to forward this request to other colleagues.

The survey can be accessed here - Together West Yorkshire Early Interventions Mapping Exercise.

Diversionary activity, even though you may not necessarily refer to this as an 'early intervention', should be included. Survey deadline - Friday 22nd March.

Thank-you for taking the time to look over this Newsletter. If it's been forwarded to you, and you would like to receive it directly, just let me know. I would like this communication to reach as wide an audience within schools as possible! If you wish to be removed, again, just let me know.



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