



Woodchurch High School

Safeguarding Newsletter

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Updates

This is the third in our safeguarding updates for Parents and carers, if you have any queries or want to discuss any aspect of safeguarding or if you would like to report any concerns please contact a member of the Safeguarding Team at safeguarding@woodchurchhigh.com or on the main school number 677 5257.

We have also created a new 'Parents' Hub'. This site has allowed us to create a central repository of information and advice for parents to easily access.

It has sections on Online Safety and Parental Controls for mobile phones so please take the time to review this information.

[Parents' Hub](#)

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Child on Child Abuse, Sexual Harassment and Sexual Violence

Our whole school approach to combating Child on Child Abuse, Sexual Harassment and Sexual Violence is regularly communicated to pupils and staff as are the possible implications involved. We have a very clear policy on this on our website and this can be accessed using the link below.

[SEXUAL VIOLENCE, SEXUAL HARASSMENT & CHILD ON CHILD ABUSE POLICY DOCUMENT](#)

In all classrooms to support awareness and personal responsibility of actions pupils and staff discuss and share the messages highlighted in the poster below.

SEXUAL HARASSMENT & PEER ABUSE
Zero tolerance, personal responsibility and awareness

- Report any concerns to any member of staff, Ask WESS or the Worry Box
- Respect the personal space of all other members of our community
- Compassionate and healthy relationships
- No means No
- Think before you speak, send or touch



Personal, social, health and economic education Relationship and Sex Education

Personal, social, health and economic (PSHE) education and Relationship and Sex Education (RSE) are important and necessary parts of all pupils' education. All schools should teach PSHE, drawing on good practice, and this expectation is outlined in the new national curriculum which became statutory in 2020.

All students at Woodchurch High School study PSHE and RSE and recently pupils learned more about how to increase their resilience against engaging in certain risky or illegal behaviours. The topics and definitions of the areas of study are shown below.



The Lessons also focussed on highlighting appropriate behaviour towards others and students were taught about the social, moral and legal implications of inappropriate actions towards others. This is linked to whole school approach to having 'Zero Tolerance' towards Sexual Harrassment and Violence and our message of 'Personal Responsibility and Awareness' of understanding the implications to others and self of behaving in these harmful ways. The issues covered are shown below.

Risky	Where there is possibility of danger to ourselves or others
Behaviour	The way we act or conduct ourselves <input type="text"/>
Responsibility	A duty to do something or look after someone
Personal Space	The physical area around you that is considered personal or private.
Upskirting	Upskirting is a <u>highly intrusive and illegal practice</u> , which involves someone taking a picture under another person's clothing without their knowledge.
Sexual Harrassment	Unwanted behaviour of a sexual nature including physical, verbal or online behaviours that makes someone feel intimidated and/or embarrassed.

To view all of the materials used in this unit please use this QR code:



Awareness of Child Exploitation

Children can be exploited in many ways including being trafficked, sexually exploited and used to run drugs. All of these come under the banner of child exploitation. The organisations below provide excellent information and awareness raising material for parents and professionals. These are also issues we cover within the PSCHE/RSE curriculum

<https://www.childrensociety.org.uk/what-we-do/our-work/child-criminal-exploitation-and-county-lines/spotting-signs>.

#LookCloser

The Children's Society continue to run their #LookCloser campaign with great success, this campaign has a wide range of valuable resources that can be used to highlight the risk of Child Exploitation. Across the country, young people are being manipulated, sexually abused, forced to launder money and deal drugs. Exploitation isn't obvious. But it happens everywhere. And you can stop it. Get to know the signs of child exploitation and how to report it through their award-winning #LookCloser campaign with the British Transport Police and National County Lines Coordination Centre. [#LookCloser To Spot Exploitation | The Children's Society](#) to view the campaign website and access its resources use this link

For further information follow this link to the Safeguarding network [Child Exploitation – Safeguarding Network](#)