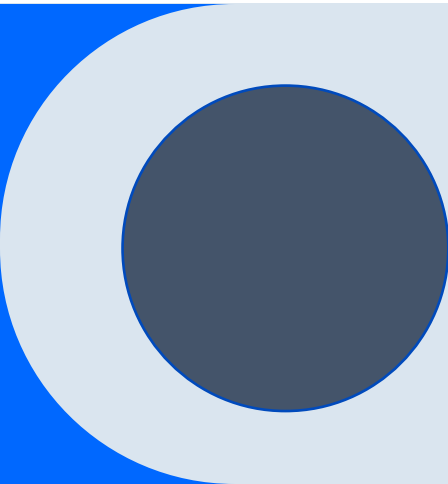





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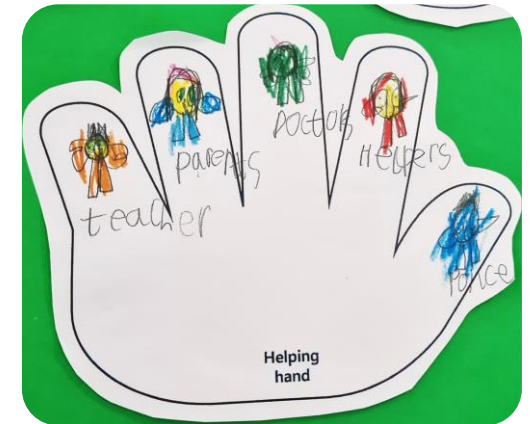


This edition of the children's newsletter shares some of the great work carried out across our schools in Cheshire East this term and provides some ideas that the pupil safeguarding groups could look at in school.



Underwood West Academy

The younger pupils at Underwood West Academy have been identifying who their trusted adults are both in and out of school.



Beechwood Primary School



As schools often get asked to do wishes and feelings work with children, Beechwood Primary School wanted to try and think outside the box so they built three Lego houses for this purpose.

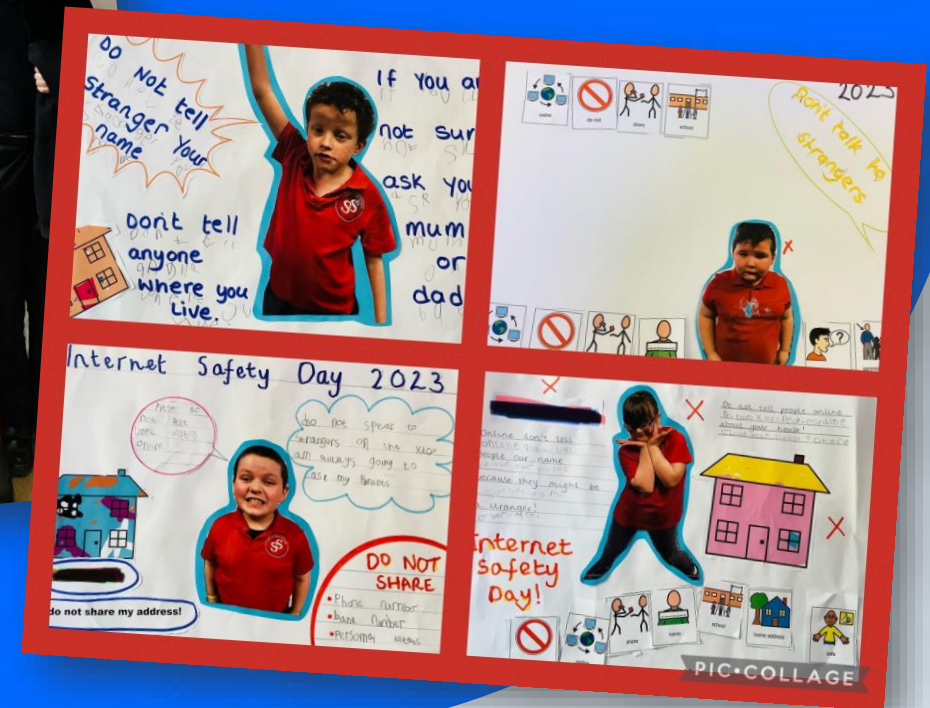
The one in the middle, which is bright and colourful, represents the house of good things.

Secondly, the grey one (Hagrid's cottage) to the left represents the house of worries because of its dark dreary colours.

Finally, the tree house on the right is the house of dreams as you have to climb up to reach your dreams.

Springfield School

Pupils at Springfield School have done a lot of work around Safer Internet Day and produced some wonderful posters to update their Pupil Safeguarding Board. A group of 6th form pupils also designed a screen saver to go onto all of the computers and laptops in school as a reminder to everyone about internet safety.



Saint Mary's Catholic Primary School

The children at St Mary's, Congleton have been busy completing:

- An online safety week
- Pants are Private in KS1
- As part of RSE units, KS1 have been learning about body parts
- Children's Mental health week which included my happy mind, mental health assemblies for KS1 & KS2, Let's Connect, connections across school including lots of buddy work with Reception & Y6.
- Who to share information with, who to speak to, how school can support
- Nurture group for KS1 & KS2 groups which includes a forest school session outside. The children are working towards a Queen's Green Canopy Award.

Mental Health Week

Miss Small and Mr Merrick led assemblies at the start of the week. The focus was being connected to others. The children completed work throughout the week about mental health and how to be connected with others.



St Gabriel's Catholic School

Earlier this year we applied to our Head Teacher (Mr Byrne) as we all wished to become Safeguarding Champions for our school. We were then interviewed and chosen.

Our first activity to introduce Children's Mental Health Week. This year the theme was 'Let's Connect'. We had a briefing on what was planned for each of the classes and then visited the teachers to explain the activities which included bingo, jigsaws, drawing and dancing activities.

To start the week off we introduced ourselves by delivering an assembly to the whole school. We explained what our roles are and how we can we can help.

In year 6 we played a special type of Bingo. We had to connect with our classmates by finding others who have something in common but we weren't allowed to go to people we normally play with. This was to help us find our more about children in our class.

So that others in the school know who we are there is a Safeguarding display board which displays a photo of each of us and we also wear a Safeguarding badge.

In March we met with our Safeguarding Governor who asked about what we do within our school to help other pupils and we had a look at the security system in school.

We are very grateful for the opportunity to be the chosen Safeguarding Champions of St Gabriel's Primary School.

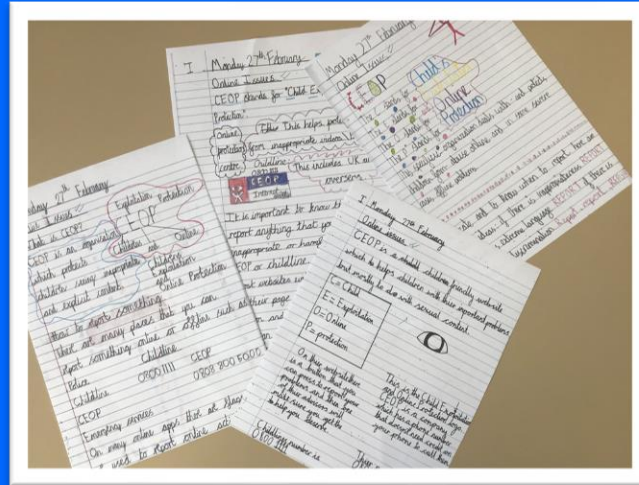


Scholar Green Primary & Nursery School

Scholar Green have been busy with lots of visitors delivering assemblies and workshops.



The Dogs Trust delivered a whole school assembly and a workshop for Year 5 & 6 about safety around dogs.



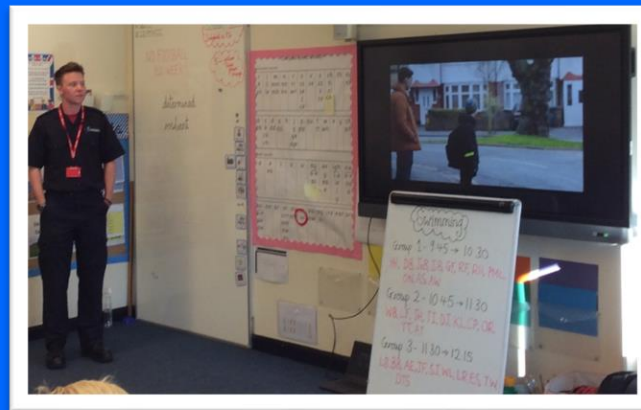
Y6 CEOP lessons



PCSO Mandy Simpson delivered an online safety assembly



KS1/KS2 NSPCC Speak Out Stay Safe Assemblies



Y5 Road Safety workshop from Cheshire Fire



E-Safety Ambassadors poster for the Safeguarding display

St Mary's Catholic Primary School, Crewe

St Mary's, Crewe produce a termly safeguarding newsletter which highlights some of the work the children have been doing in school to promote safety. Some of their work includes:

Keeping safe assemblies



Drama workshops around online safety



PCSO Lizzie supporting 'Operation Road Safety'



Reintroduction of Worry Monsters

PC Pete and PCSO Dan talking to Y5/Y6 about safety in the local community



The Berkeley Academy

This term, the Safeguarding Champions have been working on this Spring's theme 'Safer Internet'.

This involved creating a PowerPoint to present to the KS2 children on the week of 'Safer Internet Day'.

The PowerPoint is available to view on this webpage:

<https://www.theberkeleycheshire.co.uk/safeguarding-champions/>



Congleton High School

We are Rosie and Cameron and we lead the Toilet Troop at Congleton High School. We have set up a team of students to monitor and supervise the toilets throughout the school to keep everyone safe and ensure that all toilets are open before, during and after school.

Rosie - *"Since we started our jobs the graffiti in the toilets has stopped and all students who may be upset or need support can get it rather than hiding away in a cubicle. We are also good listeners and some younger students have asked if they can chat with us about their worries. We then pass these on to our teachers".*

Cameron - *"The litter has been massively reduced in the boys' toilets, vaping has stopped and year 7s can use the toilets safely. We also stop boys messing about when they're using the urinals".*

A huge thanks to all of the Toilet Troop from the staff at Congleton High School. You have made our school even safer. Well done!



Woodcocks' Well C of E Primary School

The Safeguarding and Wellbeing Council have produced their Spring Term newsletter which illustrates their work.

They have some new signs to help with safer parking.



In association with their Ethos Council, they raised funds for Place2Be for Children's Mental Health Week.

The idea of the jar of positivity is to fill it with positives that can be remembered when feeling sad or when things go wrong



Wistaston Academy



Wizzy Wildflower Wellbeing Walk

Here are some examples of mental health and wellbeing activities that Wistaston Academy have been carrying out.



Positivity tree display created by the Wellbeing Ambassadors



Assisted Pet Therapy in the Solar Dome



Feelings Detectives in the Solar Dome



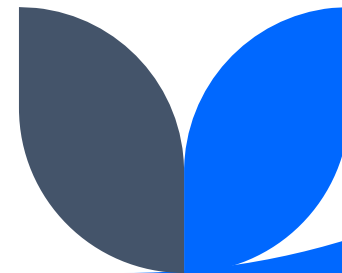
Positivity tree leaf writing for Children's Mental Health Week

Cranberry Academy

The children at Cranberry Academy all took part in the NSPCC's Speak Out, Stay Safe Programme this term.

Each class watched the special assembly, and the Year 6s followed this up with a workshop delivered by some NSPCC volunteers who came into school.

They explored in much more depth how to keep themselves happy and safe.



Gainsborough Primary & Nursery School

The children learnt all about how to keep themselves safe through special NSPCC assemblies called Speak Out Stay Safe.

Through interactive assemblies led by Ant and Dec, children learned how to cope in 'difficult times'. The assemblies promoted discussion about children's worries or what to do if something makes them feel uncomfortable and who to talk to. They learned the child line phone number (have a look at the impressive video on our Facebook page!) and about how Childline can help.

They didn't stop there; the younger pupils learned about Pants are Private through stories, art work and fun songs from Pantasaurus. Check out our Nursery's pant paintings!



Westminster Nursery School

At Westminster Nursery School the young children have been learning how to stay safe when they are out and about.

They have been singing the “Stop, Look and Listen” song as they go on local walks and visits to the park and nearby busy Nantwich Road.

The streets near the school are packed with parked cars so they talked about how to look for a clear gap, why they need to stay next to the adults and stopping at the kerb to listen for traffic.

The school have also promoted this learning with the parents so they can reinforce the same messages.



On the 21st of November 2022 we had a visit from the lovely Kathryn from the SCiES team. Kathryn came to look at all the safeguarding practices here at Vernon. On the day Kathryn spoke to a variety of children and staff including our wonderful Safeguarding and Wellbeing Committee. This committee is made up of children from Years 5 and 6. On the day these children were AMAZING they took time to show Kathryn around our school and pointed out a variety of safeguarding measures we have in place to keep everyone safe.

The audit went very well, and Kathryn was pleased with all we have in place.

We are so pleased with our committee and wanted to share with everyone how amazing they are. The children have all received a Head Teacher Award to show how proud we are.



Vernon Primary School

Sound and District Primary School

Learn with Dogs Trust

Since 2003, the Dogs Trust Education Team have been delivering educational programmes to young people and children all across the UK. Our programme focusses primarily on two key themes: Responsible Dog Ownership and Safe Behaviour Around Dogs.



Safeguarding Officers



The school Safeguarding Officers had a busy lunchtime talking to children about what keeps them safe in school. They also visit each class to explain the smart rules for internet safety.

The Dogs Trust have also been to teach the children at school.

Internet Safety

Useful Sites for Parents and Carers

The link below has been taken from Child Safety Online : A practical guide for parents/carers whose children are using social media.

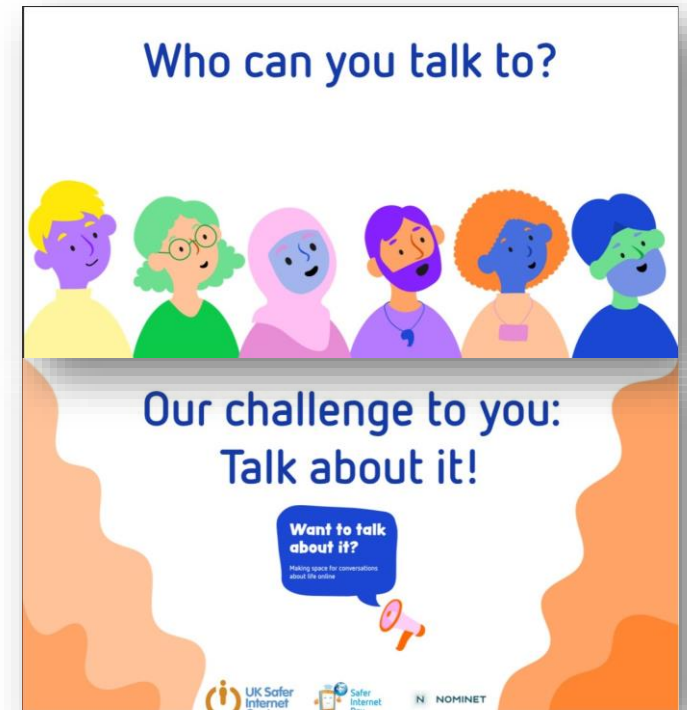
You can find out more about how children use social media, the apps they use, the risks they face, how to use privacy settings, and advice and tips about how to talk to your children at:

- www.childnet.com/sns
- www.internetmatters.org
- www.nspcc.org.uk/online-safety
- www.parentzone.org.uk



Astbury St Mary's Primary School

It was Safer Internet Day in February and Astbury Safety Council shared a presentation encouraging the whole school to 'Talk about it' and 'Make space for conversations about life online'. The children prepared the presentation thinking about the key important safety measures to share with their friends. Children engaged with the safety council, asking questions and listening to responses.



**A big thank you to all of the schools who have contributed to this newsletter.
Let us know what your Safeguarding Groups have been up recently.
We will put any articles and photographs in the next edition of the Super
Safeguarding Newsletter.**

Send articles and photographs to Sciesteameast@cheshireeast.gov.uk



Now the weather is getting warmer, remind the children about water safety and the dangers associated with lakes, rivers and pools.

Arrange for the school Safeguarding Governor to meet with the children's safeguarding group.

Explore with the children what is meant by exploitation. What does the phrase mean? How might children be exploited? Who can they ask for help or advice?

Consider different ways of gathering the voice of the child