



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

**Crucial Crew:** We attended the Breckland area Crucial Crew and spoke to 715 year 6 pupils about staying safe online. 92% of these pupils said they had a mobile phone or device that can connect to the internet. Online gaming was the most popular activity for these young people, with 82% saying that they enjoyed doing this.

**Say No. Don't Go:** We are continuing to enjoy delivering our "Say No. Don't Go" presentation about the risks of County Lines with year 6 students as part of our Safer Schools pilot. This has been so successful, and there has been so much demand for a presentation like this for primary school-aged children, that we have extended the offer to some other primary schools and local Beat Managers have used this resource in schools in their areas.



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

**Key Messages:** Our Key Message presentations continue to be popular in secondary schools. Our Safer Schools Support Workers have got stuck in delivering these across the county. The stats for the Spring Term look like this:

Year 7 Internet Safety – 3063 young people reached.

Year 8 – County Lines and Knife Crime – 3994 young people reached.

Year 9 – Grooming and Child Sexual Exploitation – 2426 young people reached.

Year 10 – Abuse in Relationships – 3330 young people reached.

**Decision-Making Programme** – We have been piloting a Decision-Making Programme this term which aims to support young people to make positive choices about their behaviour. We've really enjoyed working with these small groups of young people this term!

**Virtual Work Experience:** We are looking forward to running our Virtual Work Experience programme during the weeks 10<sup>th</sup> to 14<sup>th</sup> July 2023 and 17<sup>th</sup> to 21<sup>st</sup> July 2023. For students in year 12 who have applied for this, watch this space!

# Safer Schools Newsletter

## Spring Term 2023

Hi everyone! Here's an update on what we've been up to in the Safer Schools and Youth Engagement Teams this Spring Term 2023.

If you have any comments or questions about the newsletter, please email [sspteam@norfolk.pnn.police.uk](mailto:sspteam@norfolk.pnn.police.uk)  
Norfolk Constabulary Safer Schools Team



*Remember, safeguarding young people is everyone's responsibility #SaferSchools*

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## Other Useful Information

### Online Safety.

Some of the biggest problems our Safer Schools Police Officers face in schools are centred around young people's internet use. From sharing inappropriate content, for example nude images, to accessing harmful content, such as dangerous "trends" on social media, we have seen it all. In fact, a quarter of all incidents dealt with by our Officers in schools, between September 2022 and January 2023, involved the internet and 100% of grooming incidents occurred online.

We delivered an online safety webinar for parents and carers on 9<sup>th</sup> February 2023 (Safer Internet Day). If you were unable to join the webinar and would like more information about keeping young people safe online, we have uploaded the video to YouTube. Please find it [here](#).

Further information about online safety can be found on the National Online Safety website [here](#). You can also download their app for even quicker access to information about a range of apps and games and issues to be aware of if you allow your child to use these.

For information about setting up parental controls for your children online, go to the NSPCC website [here](#).

As young people's use of the internet is increasing, so too are mental health issues. If you know a young person who is suffering, encourage them to go to [www.kooth.com](http://www.kooth.com) (for 11 – 25-year-olds), where they will find resources and online forums and can receive support from mental health professionals. There is also a service for people aged 18+. Go to [www.qwell.io](http://www.qwell.io) for this.

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