



OUR SAFEGUARDING NEWSLETTER | APRIL 2025

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Warm welcome to all our families and carers,

We have had a busy but enjoyable Half Term.

We would like to wish all our families and school community a restful and safe Easter break.

I have packed this addition full of support and activities for our students and families should they need ideas or support over the Easter Half Term.

We hope you find the information helpful and should you need any help, advice or support please contact school or myself directly.

Many Thanks,

Mrs Chilton jchilton@boteler.org.uk



The popular Netflix series, Adolescence, has brought the topics of toxic masculinity, misogyny and the "manosphere" back into conversation in the media. This may be something your students, families and colleagues are talking about so please see the following.

Read more here:

https://www.childrenssociety.org.uk/what-we-do/blogs/how-toxic-masculinity-affects-young-people?msclkid=d9ae387d4d2d1a0478395f9c653924ca

https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/articles/ceqjpzg0qwno

https://www.cosmopolitan.com/uk/entertainment/g64229221/adolescen ce-emojis-hidden-meaning-explained-netflix/



PLACES WHERE KIDS EAT FREE (OR FOR £1) EASTER HOLIDAYS 2025



moneysavingcentral.co.uk/kids-eat-free

BURGER KING

From Monday 7th - Sunday 20th April 2025, Kids Eat Free with every adult meal, via the app.

BILLS

Kids eat free Mondays - Fridays, from Monday 7th - Friday 25th April 2025.

FARMHOUSE INNS

2 kids eat FREE with one paying adult, Monday 7th - Friday 25th of April. Sign Up Required

TGI FRIDAYS

Kids Eat Free When 'Stripes Rewards Members' purchase any adult meal (Via App)

ZIZZI

Sunday 6th - Sunday 27th April 2025 kids eat free with every adult main. (excludes Saturdays)

CAFE EIGHTY NINE @ THE RANGE

Kids eat free Sat 5th April - Mon 21st April 2025

YOU SUSHI

Kids eat free all day (monday - friday) during all school holidays, when dining with an adult

SIZZLING PUBS

Every Monday to Friday, 3 - 7pm, kids eat for £1.

ASDA

Kids eat for £1 every, with no adult spend.

TRAVELODGE & PREMIER INN

2 kids eat for FREE with 1 adult breakfast

GORDON RAMSEY RESTAURANTS

Kids under 8 eat FREE all day, every day

WHITBREAD INNS

2 kids eat for FREE with 1 adult breakfast

BEEFEATER & BREWERS FAYRE

2 kids eat for FREE with 1 adult breakfast

IKEA

Kids get a meal from 95p daily from 11am

PREZZO

Kids receive a free, 3 course kids meal, everyday at Prezzo between 31st March - 27th April 2025

COCONUT TREE

One child (under 10) eats free every day, 12pm -6pm from Monday 7th - Sunday 27th April 2025

PIZZA HUT

Kids eat free buffet from Monday 7th - Sunday 27th April, until 3pm daily with a £10 spend

PRETO

Kids up to age 10 eat free all day, every day with paying adults at Preto in Half Terms

SAINSBURYS CAFES

Kids eat for £1 with the purchase of an adult hot main. From 11:30am every day.

BELLA ITALIA

Children eat for £1 with any adult main. The offer is valid 4-6pm Sun to Weds. All Day Thursdays

MORRISONS

Kids Eat FREE all day, every day with a £5 spend

LAS IGUANAS

Kids under 12 eat FREE with 'My Las Iguanas' App

TABLE TABLE

2 Kids Eat free breakfast daily with 1 paying adult!

PAUSA CAFE @ DUNELM

Kids eat FREE with every £4 spend after 3pm

HUNGRY HORSE

Kids eat for £1 on Mondays

THE REAL GREEK

Kids under 12 eat FREE Sundays with £10 spend

SA BRAINS PUBS

Kids eat for £1 on Wednesdays

FUTURE INNS

Under 5s eat for free with any adult meal.

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Are your children on benefit related free school meals?

Scan me



If yes, they can attend up to four fully funded holiday activities this Easter. Browse now at warrington.gov.uk. Bookings open 9am on Monday 10 March. Email haf@warrington.gov.uk to find out more.









- Mental Health Crisis Line. The local Mental Health Crisis Line is: available 24 hours a day, seven days a week for people experiencing a mental health crisis, who need urgent support for people who live in Warrington, Halton, Knowsley or St Helens for people of all ages, including children and young people free to call 0800 051 1508
- Samaritans. To talk about anything that is upsetting you, you can contact <u>Samaritans</u> 24 hours a day, 365 days a year. You can call <u>116 123</u> (free from any phone), email <u>jo@samaritans.org</u> or <u>visit some branches in person</u>. You can also call the Samaritans Welsh Language Line on <u>0808 164 0123</u> (7pm-11pm every day).
- SANEline. If you're experiencing a mental health problem or supporting someone else, you can call SANEline on 0300 304 7000 (4.30pm-10.30pm every day).
- National Suicide Prevention Helpline UK. Offers a supportive listening service to anyone with thoughts of suicide. You can call the National Suicide Prevention Helpline UK on 0800 689 5652 (6pm-3:30am every day).
- Campaign Against Living Miserably (CALM). You can call the CALM on 0800 58 58 58 (5pm-midnight every day) if you are struggling and need to talk. Or if you prefer not to speak on the phone, you could try the CALM webchat service.
- Shout. If you would prefer not to talk but want some mental health support, you could text SHOUT to 85258. Shout offers a confidential 24/7 text service providing support if you are in crisis and need immediate help.
- The Mix. If you're under 25, you can call The Mix on <u>0808 808 4994</u>(3pm-midnight every day), request support by email <u>using this form on The Mix</u> website or <u>use their crisis text messenger service</u>.
- Papyrus HOPELINEUK. If you're under 35 and struggling with suicidal feelings, or concerned about a young person who might be struggling, you can
 call Papyrus HOPELINEUK on 0800 068 4141(weekdays 10am-10pm, weekends 2pm-10pm and bank holidays 2pm-10pm), email pat@papyrus-uk.org
 or text 07786 209 697.
- Nightline. If you're a student, you can look on the Nightline website to see if your university or college offers a night-time listening service. Nightline phone operators are all students too.
- Switchboard. If you identify as gay, lesbian, bisexual or transgender, you can call Switchboard on O300-330-0630 (10am-10pm every day), email chris@switchboard.lgbt or use their webchat service. Phone operators all identify as LGBT+.
- C.A.L.L. If you live in Wales, you can call the Community Advice and Listening Line (C.A.L.L.) on 0800 132 737 (open 24/7) or you can text 'help' followed by a question to 81066.

COMING UP ON SPRINGBOARD

3rd March - Spring is Here

10th March - Family Day

17th March - St Patrick's Day

24th March - World Book Day

31st March - Easter Egg Hunt

7th April - National Autism Awareness Month

14th April - Family Day

21st April - Wilderness

28th April - Springboard Circus Party

5th May - Eurovision and Europe

12th May - Family Day

19th May - Movie Madness

26th May - Springboard Animal Party

QUALITY ACTIVITIES FOR
CHILDREN WITH DISABILITIES
AND ADDITIONAL NEEDS

DELIVERED AT WARRINGTON YOUTH ZONE,

SUNDAYS 11 - 3

WARRINGTON



PA's welcome to attend if needed for a young person to access. For more information, contact Molly at molly.swatton@wyz.org.uk

For ages 7 - 19



This is a shout out for **Warrington Pride 2025** which will take place on Saturday 14h June 2025.

TAGS (Teenagers, Gender & Sexuality Youth Support), is a Warrington based constituted youth group supported by Warrington Borough Council Early Help Targeted Youth Service who provides LGBTQ+ (lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, questioning and other) young people aged 11 - 25 a safe space to meet, socialise, access support, and develop skills and confidence. The group aims to empower young people to be active members of the group and to inspire them to pursue leading roles in the future.

TAGS will be hosting the daytime entertainment for Warrington Pride 2025 in the 'Old Fish Market Place in Golden Square between 12-4pm.

This is a shout out to all budding performers, artists, allies, volunteers, sponsors, businesses community groups etc....who would like to get involved in this year's pride event called 'A Place where we all belong'

Please let us know ASAP if you would like to get involved in any way.

For more information please contact Sharon & Jaime on;

Sharon.johnson@warrington.gov.uk

jaime.graham@warrington.gov.uk

We look forward to hearing from you.

Sharon & Jaime

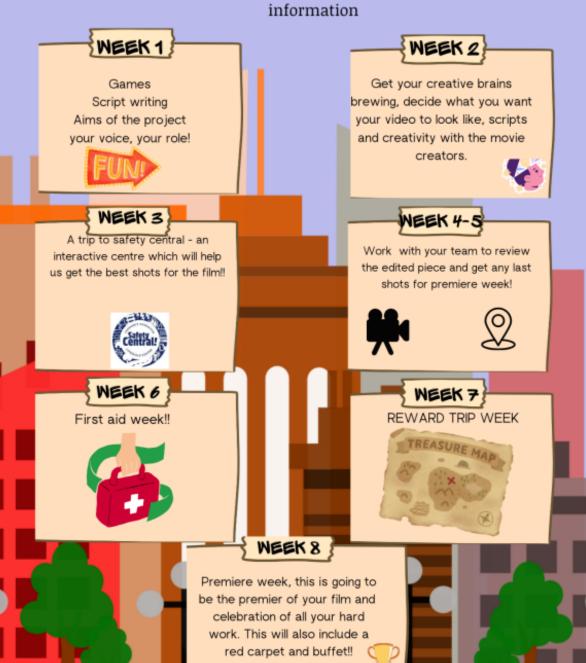
Can you please share widely please, Many thanks jaime







Want to join a project where to have fun, go on trips to normally unseen areas and develop new skills? If you are interested, Aged 13-16 and live life on the edge. Contact Lois on lois.muir@warrington.gov.uk /07581 051925 to get more information.



MORE ABOUT THE PROJECT

This project is going to play a key role in tackling the issue of young people putting themselves at risk in derelict buildings in Warrington but in a fun and interactive way. You will allow create a video raising awareness of the risks, and have full involvement the featuring and the creative sides. We are going to link up with public services and allow you to create and participate in scenes with the professionals themselves!

WEEK 1- FUN AND INTRODUCTION SESSION- everyone gets to know each other through interactive games and opportunity to give their voice on the project. This we will also do some brain storming from the young people on what you want you roles to be in the project

Week 2- CREATION OF THE STORYLINES! LOOKING AT OTHER VIDEOS, support from qualified film professionals to create scripts and scenes!

Week 3 - Filming locations! You will attend the interactive fun centre SAFETY CENTRAL where you can have fun and film some amazing shots in court rooms, cells and other cool settings.

Week 4-5- Film around your community at exciting locations and start to edit your piece of work.

Week 6- FIRST AID WEEK - Get credited certificates through interactive and fun session with our First aider and paramedic.

Week 7- Let your hair down and go on a trip with some food and head to escape rooms!

Week 8!- A red carpet event! Young people invite professionals/family members and friends to watch your new creation! Followed by certificates and vouchers to young people to reward you and your participation, then end with some snacks!



The Household Support Fund can provide financial support for families receiving Free School Meals

If at least one child in your household is eligible to receive **Free School Meals**, then you qualify to receive payments from the **Household Support Fund**.

If you are entitled you would receive payment for each qualifying child, between now and March 2025 (paid at regular intervals).

The Household Support Fund is not a loan, will not have to be paid back and doesn't affect any of the other benefits you may be eligible to receive.

Further details and how to apply are overleaf – or you can visit warrington.gov.uk/hsf

If you need wider support or advice on the cost of living, please visit warrington.gov.uk/cost-living-support



If you have a child or children who receive Free School Meals or who has a SEN (Statement of Special Education Needs) or EHC (Education, Health and Care Plan), then you are eligible to claim Household Support Fund payments from the Government.

If you are entitled you could receive a payment for each qualifying child in your household, paid either into your bank account or by voucher around the following dates:

- Late October 2024
- Late December 2024
- Late February 2025

You only need to apply once to receive all these payments and you will never have to pay this money back.

If you would like to apply, visit **warrington.gov.uk/hsf**. If you need support with your application, call us on 01925 443322 and we'll help you.

If you have any questions please email us at householdsupportfund@warrington.gov.uk







Talking Points are a place in your community where you can access the support you need. We can help with:



Carer support



Loneliness/social isolation



Housing advice



Lifestyle support



Access to food/ temporary shopping support



Energy advice



Transport and travel



Employment opportunities



Cost of living, debt and benefits support



Mobility and adaptations advice



Accessing community activities



Volunteering opportunities

We can help with much more - just ask!

Visit warrington.gov.uk/talking-points or scan the QR code for more information. Contact us on talkingpoints@warringtonva.org.uk





Talking Points are taking place across Warrington. Drop in and access support in your community.

Fearnhead Community Centre, Insall Road, WA2 0HD

Every Monday, 11.00am - 12.30pm

The Living Well Hub, Horsemarket Street, WA1 1XL

Every Monday, 1.00pm - 4.00pm and Every Friday, 9.00am - 12.30pm

The Oaks Centre, Stocks Lane, Penketh, WA5 2QS

Every Tuesday, 11.00am - 1.00pm

Culcheth Library, Warrington Road, Culcheth, WA3 5SL

Every Tuesday, 2.00pm - 4.00pm

the Gateway, Sankey Street, WAI ISR

Every Wednesday, 10.30am - 12.30pm

Latchford Baptist Church, Loushers Lane, WA4 2RP

Every Thursday, 10.30am - 12.30pm

The Table (The Church of Transfiguration), Birchwood, WA3 6QG

First and third Thursday of the month, 11.30am - 1.30pm (opening 7 Nov)

The Encounter Centre, Benson Road, WA3 7PQ

Second and fourth Thursday of the month, 1.00pm - 3.00pm

To view more Talking Point locations in Warrington, visit warrington.gov.uk/talking-points



Connecting people, places and services to support people to 'Live Well' in Warrington

Affordable Community Food Spaces in Warrington

In Warrington there are a range of affordable community food spaces that can help you save money on your food bills and stretch budgets further. These projects help tackle food waste, often using surplus food that would have gone into to landfill. They are all welcoming, friendly spaces, ran by local communities.

Thể bread and butter thing.

The Bread and Butter Thing is a food club which is open to anyone. Members can access 3 bags of food for £8.50. This includes one bag of chilled items, one bag of cupboard items and one bag of fruit & veg.

Locations/ Opening times:

Monday: 1:30pm - 2pm The Old School, Fairfield Street, WA1 3GF

Tuesday: 1:30pm - 2pm Sankey Bridges Community Centre, Old Liverpool Road, WA5 1EB

Wednesday: 2:30pm - 3pm Dallam Primary School, Boulting Ave, WA5 0JG

Thursday: 1pm - 1:30pm Birchwood C of E Primary School, Admirals Road, WA3 6QG Friday: 1:30pm - 2pm Westy Community Centre, Bridgewater Avenue, WA41TA

Cost: £5 - 1 bumper bag (perfect for a single person household)

£8.50 - 3 x bags (perfect for a couple or family)

<u>To become a member</u>; Text 07860063304 with your full name, postcode, and the name of the hub you will be collecting from. Once you are a member you will receive a text every week to ask you if you want an order, reply YES and your order will be available at your chosen hub at the time above.

Community Shop

The Community Shop is a Social Supermarket where you can access deeply discounted food as well as their community kitchen, activities and support. Members can shop every day and buy as much as they wish.

Location: The Community Shop, 8 Bewsey Park Cl, Bewsey, Warrington WA5 OAN

Opening times: Monday - Friday; 10am - 6pm & Saturday 10am - 4pm

Cost: Membership is free and you can purchase any items you wish

<u>To become a member</u>. You must be on a means-tested benefit to become a member. Turn up during the opening hours or go to www.companyshopgroup.co.uk/community-shop-membership to sign up. You must bring proof of address and benefit on first visit.



The Community Grocery is a Food Pantry where anyone who is feeling the financial impact of the rising cost of living can become a member.

Members can purchase up to 12 items for £5, 18 items for £7.50 or 24 items for £10.

This includes fruit & veg/ fresh/ cupboard/ frozen items. They also sell 'little extras' which you can purchase in addition to your shop. Members can shop everyday and can access their cafe and courses ran by life church

Location: Life Church Warrington, Cotswold Road, Orford, Warrington, WA2 9SE

Opening times: Monday - Friday; 9:30am - 2pm

Cost: Membership fee - £5 per year, £5/£7.50 or £10 per shop

To become a member; Just turn up during the opening hours and you can sign up.



The Little Shop at Fearnhead is an Affordable Food Pantry where anyone can become a member. The shop stocks fresh fruit & veg/ chilled/ cupboard/ frozen items. Members typically save over £15 per shop. Members can purchase 10 items plus extra fruit & veg for £5.

Location: Fearnhead Cross Community Centre, Insall Road, Fearnhead, WA2 0HD

Opening times: Tuesday: 10am - 12pm

Wednesday: 10am - 12pm & 1pm - 3:30pm

Thursday: 1:30pm - 3:30pm

Cost: £5 per shop (membership is free)

To become a member: Just turn up during the opening hours and you can sign up with a team member.



The Little Shop at Latchford is an Affordable Food Pantry where anyone can become a member. The shop stocks fresh fruit & veg/ chilled/ cupboard/ frozen items. Members typically save over £15 per shop. Members can purchase 10 items plus extra fruit & veg for £5.

Location: Latchford Baptist Church, Loushers Lane, Latchford, WA4 2RP

Opening times: Tuesday: 5pm - 7pm

Thursday: 10:30am - 12:30pm & 1:30pm - 3:30pm

Cost: £5 per shop (membership is free)

To become a member; Just turn up during the opening hours and you can sign up with a team member.

If you are struggling and need to access emergency food support, or if you are interested in attending a community meal, please visit our food provision map for local spaces and support;

www.warringtonva.org.uk/warrington-food-network

For cost of living related support, please visit; $\underline{www.warrington.gov.uk/cost\text{-}living\text{-}support}$







HEAT

STRUGGLING WITH FUEL PRICES?

Are you struggling with fuel prices and need some advice?

If you, or someone you know, is struggling with their energy bills, we may be able to help

Our dedicated mentors can provide advice by visiting you at home and continue support through further visits or remote assistance to help you save money on your energy.

We may be able to help speak to your supplier about any questions you may have regarding billing issues or outstanding debt. We can support you with:



ENERGY CRISIS &
ADVOCACY SUPPORT

ENERGY SAVING AWARENESS





INCOME MAXIMISATION

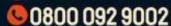
ENERGY Efficiency advice





PLEASE CONTACT OUR HOME ENERGY ADVICE TEAM TODAY!

■ HEAT@THEWISEGROUP.CO.UK





OUR EXPERT HEAT DVISORS ARE HERE TO HELP YOU WITH ANY **HOME ENERGY QUESTIONS** YOU HAVE.

Speak to us about how to:



TAKE METER READINGS TO MONITOR YOUR COSTS



SWITCH ENERGY SUPPLIER AND TARIFF

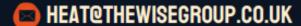


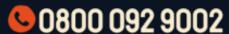
ACCESS ELIGIBLE HARDSHIP FUNDING



ACCESS SUPPORT FOR ANY Energy-related Issue You have







HEAT

Stuck arguing with your child's other parent?

we can Relate

You don't need to deal with stress, anxiety or relationship issues alone.

Relate's new AI tools can help you communicate and problem solve with a parent or co-parent, to make things calmer at home.

Try them now



Helpline Numbers-If you urgently need any advice or support or have any safeguarding concern please ring MASH on 01925 443400 (9:00 – 5:00pm).

First Response Team for aged over 18 is 01925 443322-Out of hours - Emergency number for 01925 444400

NHS Direct 111

Warrington Hospital 01925 635911

Warrington Women's Aid 01925 417138

Kooth.com – Online counselling for young people

LGBT Foundation Helpline – 0345 3 30 30 30 Drinkline – 0300 123 1110 (www.drinkaware.co.uk)

HOPELineUK – 0800 068 41 41 (suicide prevention - Papyrus) Frank (national drugs helpline) - 0300 123 66 00 (www.talktofrank.com)

Samaritans - 116 123

Childline – 0800 1111

NSPCC — 0808 800 5000

Mind - (for better mental health) 0300 102 1234

MASH - 01925 443400

Wakefield House - 01925 666660

Pathways – 01925 415176/07919558644

Foodbank-01925 977630

Domestic Abuse Hub 01925 243359

Health visitor — 01925 946856 (Spencer House), 946528 (Grappenhall Clinic), 946915 (Penketh)

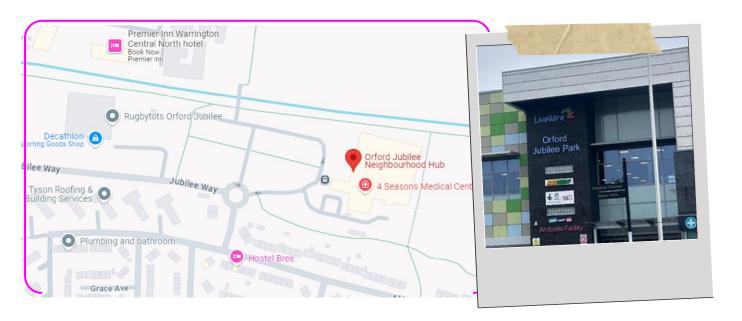
Community Midwives—01925 662092

Face Book Pages with free food available - Free Food Warrington, Helping Hands Changing Lives CIC

Emergency line for gas leaks - 0800 111 999

Axess 4 u sexual health clinic for those aged 19 and younger opening at Orford Jubilee

Neighbourhood Hub in Warrington





Rooms 15 and 16, Floor 1, Orford Jubilee
Neighbourhood Hub, Jubilee Way, Warrington, WA2 8HE



Opens Tuesday 26 November and runs on Tuesdays between 3.30-6pm. No appointment required!



- Emergency contraception
- Contraception
- STI testing and treatment
- Pregnancy testing
- Information and advice

0300 323 1300

X② @axess_sh www.axess.clinic

Scan the QR code for information on all axess 4 u clinics



https://www.axess.clinic/axess-services/axess-sexual-health-clinics/

Sexual Health



Information for Young People, Schools Staff and Parents



BUT VAPES ARE NOT HARMLESS

as you don't inhale the toxic tar and carbon monoxide you get from tobacco smoke.

Short-term effects can include coughing, headaches, dizziness, and sore throats. Long-term effects are as yet unknown.



MOST CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE DON'T VAPE OR SMOKE.

DON'T SMOKE? DON'T START TO VAPE.







Developed by Smokefree Sheffield in collaboration with Action on Smoking and Health (ASH)

talktofrank.com livewirewarrington.co.uk/lifestyles/stop-smoking

Warrington Food Pantry

The Warrington Food Pantry at Fearnhead Youth and Community Centre has now re-opened

• Opening hours are Wednesday & Thursday 10.00am - 1.00pm

Warrington Food Pantry is the first of its kind in Warrington and is a joint venture between the council, local housing providers Clarion Futures of Clarion Housing Group, Torus and Warrington Foodbank.

The pilot project has been set up at Fearnhead Youth and Community Centre to support residents to improve their health and wellbeing.

People can be referred to the pantry by the council and local partners, including the Warrington Wellbeing service, Torus, Clarion, Citizens Advice Bureau and local GPs. Once registered, service users can pay a weekly £3.50 membership fee, which entitles them to choose a basket of 10 items of food worth up to £20.

Who to contact

Contact Name Lyn Mullen

Contact Position Senior Administration
Telephone 01925 443057

E-mail Imullen@warrington.gov.uk

Where to go

Name Fearnhead Community Centre

Address Insall Road

Fearnhead Warrington Cheshire

Time / date details

When is it on Wednesday & Thursday

Time of day Morning

Session Information Sessions are drop-in from 10.00am to 2.00pm

https://warrington.foodbank.org.uk/

WARRINGTON FOODBANK

WE ARE HERE FOR YOU...

Read here...













184,248

meals provided to Warrington families in 2023



1962

People fed in December 2023 1,175 adults 787 children Equating to 17,658 meals



90%

of low-income households on Universal Credit are currently going without essentials



Call to Warrington Parents



Bridgewater NHS are engaging with High Schools in the Warrington Borough with the aim of improving safe access to the toilets in school for children with and without continence difficulties.



Please can you answer a few questions about your child's experiences of accessing school toilets. This will help us make sure we are helping as many children as possible. **You do not need to put your name on the form**.



Scan this code to go to the survey



or use this link: Bridgewater Bladder Survey

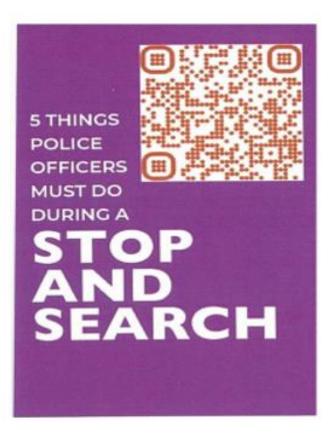












We can help you with mental health, relationships, alcohol, smoking, bullying & more...

Get confidential & anonymous advice from an NHS Specialist Community Nurse via text:

Young People aged 11-19: Text: 07507 33010



TikTok (13+)

You can choose to have a public or private account. If you set your account to private, then only those you accept as friends can see your videos. To do this go to your profile, tap the settings icon (three dots), tap Privacy and Safety and turn on Private account (by default accounts for people under 16 are set to private).

Report inappropriate content: you can report an account, video, comment and message. Follow the instructions here: https://support.tiktok.com/en/safety-hc/report-a-problem

Family Pairing

You can use Family Pairing to link your own TikTok account to your child's account. This will give you access to additional controls such as:

- Screen Time Management: Control how long your child can spend on TikTok.
- Direct Messages: Limit who can send messages to them or turn off direct messaging completely. Direct messaging is automatically disabled for registered accounts between the ages of 13 and 15.
- Restricted Mode: Restrict the appearance of inappropriate content.
- Discover Search bar Option to disable.

Find out more here: https://www.tiktok.com/safety/en/guardians-guide/



Twitter (13+)

When you set up your Twitter account, you can choose whether you would like to keep your tweets public or protected (private). To keep them private, go to Settings and Privacy, select Privacy and Safety, select Audience and tagging and ensure protect your tweets is selected.

Unfollow somebody: Click the the three dots next to their tweet and select unfollow.

Blocking: Click the three dots next to their tweet and select block.

Location: To keep your location private (so followers can't see the location you are tweeting from), go to Settings and Privacy, select privacy and safety, select location information and ensure precise location is disabled.

Find out more here: https://help.twitter.com/ en/safety-and-security/twitter-privacy-settings

Users of this guide do so at their own discretion. No liability is entered into. Current as of the date released 1.7.202.

We have been made aware of a WhatsApp group titled "Add People".

The group contains hundreds of children and young people and has very inappropriate content such as naked images of AI adults. It is believed that children as young as 7 years old are being added to this group, and as the title suggests the aim is to add as many other children as possible to the group. This has been reported to us by a number of pupils. We have sent a message out to all parents asking them to check their children' phones for this group and generally monitor their social media usage. It is clear that this spans across the whole town, and potentially the whole country, so we also wanted to make yourselves aware in the hope that you can please be vigilant.

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Facebook (13+)

Included in Facebook's setting are the ability to set who can see your posts, who can contact you and the ability to review all posts before appearing on your timeline (Timeline Review).

Unfriend: go to their profile, click on Friends and select Unfriend.

Blocking: go to their profile, click on the three dots and select Block.

Facebook Privacy Check up: this tool helps you review your settings.

Find out more here: https://www.facebook.com/help/
1297502253597210



Instagram (13+)

When you set up your account, it is automatically set as public (except if you are under 18 and it is set to private as default). To change your profile to private (so only people you approve can follow you) go to your profile, tap Settings (from menu), tap Privacy and tap to toggle Private Account on.

Remove a follower: Go to your profile and tap followers and select remove to the right of the person.

Blocking: If you want to stop somebody from liking or commenting on your posts, you can block them. To do this, tap their username, tap on the 3 circles in the top right and select block.

Turn off commenting on a post:

Tap the 3 circles above your post and select Turn Off Commenting.

Find out more here: https://help.instagram.com/ 196883487377501



WhatsApp (16+)

By default, WhatsApp sets your privacy settings to allow any WhatsApp user to see your read receipts, last seen, about and profile photo. To change any of these settings, go to settings, account and privacy.

Reporting: When you receive a message from an unknown number for the first time, you will be given the option to report the number. You can also block and report a user by clicking on their name and selecting Block or Report. You can report any issues direct to WhatsApp within the app by going to settings, help and contact us.

Find out more here: https:// faq.whatsapp.com/general/security-andprivacy/staying-safe-on-whatsapp/

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Snapchat (13+)

When you set up your account, it is automatically set so only friends you've added can contact you or view your story.

Unfriend: Go to the chat screen, tap and hold on a friend's name, tap 'manage friendship' and then tap 'Remove Friend'. **Block a friend:** Go to the chat screen, tap and hold on a friend's name, tap 'manage friendship' and then tap 'Block'.

Location settings: This feature allows your friends to see where you are (including when you are at home) when you have the app open. **It is so important that you check your child's settings for this feature**. Your location won't be shared on the map until you open it for the first time, at which point you can choose (please note that snaps you submit to Snap Map can still show up on the Map, no matter what location setting you choose):

- Ghost Mode (Only Me): your location won't be visible to anyone else.
- My Friends: your location will be shared with all of your friends.
- Select Friends, Except ...: your location will be shared with your friends, except the friends on this list.
- Only These Friends ...: choose specific friends to share your location with.

Who Can Contact Me: in your privacy settings you can choose who can contact you directly with Snaps, Chats, calls, etc. Remember, if you're in a group, then anyone can communicate with you in that Group Chat regardless of your settings.

Find out more here: https://support.snapchat.com/en-GB/article/privacy-settings2

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Get urgent help

Contact us

Warrington CAMHS The Alders 12 Birch Avenue Warrington WA2 9TN

Tel: <u>01925 575 904</u> (9am to 5pm, Monday to Friday)

Crisis Response Team

Our 24 hour crisis response team is for young people up to the age of 18 experiencing a crisis needing an emergency response.

Contact us on **01744 415 640**

Those over 18 can contact the crisis line on **0800 051 1508**

Going through a crisis? Based in the UK? Place2Be can't provide support outside of our schools, but there are other organisations that can help.

If someone's life is in immediate danger, please call **999**.

Shout (in partnership with Place2Be)

Text CONNECT to 85258

• **For**: anyone in the UK

Available: free, 24 hours a dayMore info: giveusashout.org

Childline

Call **0800 1111**

<u>Chat online</u> (set up an account first) <u>Send an email</u> (set up an account first)

• **For**: children and young people in the UK

Available: free, 24 hours a dayMore info: childline.org.uk

Samaritans

Call **116 123**

Send an email (response within 24 hours)

• **For**: adults in the UK

• **Available**: free, 24 hours a day

More info: <u>samaritans.org</u>

Knowing I wasn't alone got me through a difficult night. Texter, Shout

Support for under-18s

If you're worried about something, talk to an adult that you trust as soon as possible.

This could be:

- Someone in your family, like your mum, dad or carer
- Someone at school, like a teacher or Place2Be (if you have it in your school)
- Your doctor.
 If you are not sure who to talk to:
- Call Childline on **0800 1111** or
- Text **CONNECT** to **85258** to contact Shout (in partnership with Place2Be).

Talk or text for free any time, wherever you are in the UK.

<u>Find other places where you can get help and advice</u> I'm worried about my child or young person

If their life is in immediate danger, call **999**.

If not, we recommend talking to someone who can help you understand what they might be going through and refer you to support in your area.

This could be:

- Your doctor
- The Place2Be staff member at their school OR a similar support service if the school doesn't have Place2Be
- The Young Minds Parents Helpline, which you can call for free on 0808 802 5544 (9.30am-4pm, Monday-Friday, UK).

Read more about supporting your child or young person

Support for teachers

Education Support Partnership Helpline

Call **08000 562 561**Text **07909 341229**For: Teachers / educators
Available: free, 24 hours a day

More info: educationsupport.org.uk

Warrington Multi - Agency Safeguarding Hub (MASH) - 01925 443322

Out Of Office - Duty Team - 01925 443322 - Option 2