



## Safer Schools Officers' Update

Here are some examples of the work we've been doing in schools lately...

One of our officers has worked with year 7s and increased their awareness of how to stay safe online. Students were particularly interested in how some devices use GPS which can give away your location to anyone, including strangers, if your privacy settings are not up to scratch. (See the 'Useful Info' box for where to get advice about internet safety issues.)

One of our officers organised a session for a group of students in which a local Beat Manager came to the school to speak to them about the work the police do in their community. The intention was to break down barriers between young people and the police and get everyone talking. Students even got to try on some riot gear and look in a riot van!

We now have student representatives from the Short Stay Schools for Norfolk on the Police and Crime Commissioners 'Youth Commission'. Their opinions and experience will be invaluable in informing Norfolk Constabulary of the issues young people face in our community and what we can do about these. (For more information about the Youth Commission, see the 'Useful Info' box.)



## Youth Engagement Team Update

We've been busy delivering safety messages to students over the last few months.

**Lockdown Presentations:** During lockdown we produced some videos about the lockdown rules, what these meant for young people, online safety and assault. We teamed up with Norfolk Children and Young People's Health Services who talked to young people about mental health and how to look after ourselves during the Coronavirus pandemic. We received some great feedback about these.

**Key Messages:** Due to the pandemic, we've been unable to physically go in to schools but that hasn't stopped us in our mission to deliver our key messages. This academic year, 58 schools have received either virtual sessions on Teams, or video inputs about:

Internet Safety (Year 7)

County Lines and Knife Crime (Year 8)

Grooming (Year 9)

Relationship Abuse (Year 10)

**Transition Project:** We are planning to deliver a number of online presentations to current year 6 students who will be moving on to secondary schools that have a Safer Schools Police Officer. We would like to introduce our officers to new students and explain a bit about what we do.

# Safer Schools Newsletter

## Secondary Edition Summer Term 2021

Hi everyone, this is the first newsletter we've done since Lockdown in January. We hope you're staying safe and well.

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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## Water Safety Feature

Summer is on its way and as the weather improves, you might think jumping in the water is a good way to cool down. Norfolk Fire and Rescue Service are promoting some water safety resources from the Royal National Lifeboat Institution.

**For Students:** Click [here](#) for a video about what to do if you fall into cold water.

**For Parents:** Click [here](#) for a video about how to keep your children safe at the beach.

**For Teachers:** Click [here](#) for a teacher engagement video explaining why education about water safety is so important and [here](#) are some resource packs for different age groups for use in school or as home education. (The links above for parents and students can also be used in the classroom.)

## Useful Info.

**Internet Safety Advice** – Download the 'National Online Safety' app, or visit the website [www.nationalonlinesafety.com](http://www.nationalonlinesafety.com) for information about games, apps and keeping your profiles private.

**Youth Commission** – Young people who choose to be members of the Youth Commission help shape decisions about policing and help inform the work of Norfolk's Police and Crime Commissioner. Go to [www.norfolk-pcc.gov.uk](http://www.norfolk-pcc.gov.uk) to find out more.

**Kooth** – We're continuing to promote Kooth as a brilliant way of young people getting help and support for mental health issues in a safe and regulated way.

**Think U Know** – As always we would signpost young people, parents/carers and school staff to [www.thinkuknow.co.uk](http://www.thinkuknow.co.uk). There are some amazing resources available on this website about online safety.

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