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# Safeguarding News



#### **Safeguarding Team**

DSL – Mr Laundon Deputy DSL – Miss Baverstock & Mrs Clarke <u>Pastoral Team</u> Year 7 – Miss Wilson & Ms Paddington

Year 8 – Mr Dale, Mrs Ryan & Mrs Clarke Year 9 – Miss Hurrell & Miss Shaw Year 10 – Miss Martin & Mrs Healey Year 11 – Miss Woodman & Mrs Butler

## Are all your contact details up to date?

If you change your home phone/email/mobile number, please let the school know, so that we have the most up-todate contact details for you.

## Announcing 'Listen Up, Speak Up'

To start the year the NSPCC has unveiled their new 'Listen Up, Speak Up' campaign, aimed at giving adults practical advice, about how to address concerns about a child. Although a core duty of safeguarding staff, the reporting of concerning signs among children in education is a key part of anyone charged with looking after children and young people. And the disheartening news is that at the moment the world of under-18s is in the midst of a spike in concern flagging. From April 2021 to March 2022 the NSPCC Helpline spoke 8,347 times with adults, compared to 7,338 in the same period for the previous year. Unavoidably when a child begins to show concerning signs indicative of abuse whilst on the school premises, a reoccurring question of 'what do I do' will spring to mind. You may know the child well, or know the family well and it will almost certainly put you in a difficult position. Even for safeguarding staff, it is not uncommon for these feelings to dominate, at least initially. The new NSPCC campaign, is designed for these situations, and I hope you'll find it useful.

If interested please follow the link: <u>NSPCC - Listen up speak up campaign</u>

Report any concerns if you suspect a child is being abused or is in danger of being abused, please contact a Designated Safeguarding Lead, or another member of the Safeguarding Team.

You can also contact the Integrated Front Door on 01403 229900. If a child is in immediate danger, call the Police immediately on 999.

## **Bereavement Support through Winston's Wish**

Winston's wish work directly with children and young people between the ages of 7 and 25 years old in a few ways:

**Helpline and Live chat** - their helpline is available weekdays 8am-8pm on 08088 020 021 and the live chat is available on their website weekdays 3pm-8pm. They can provide advice and support as and when it is wanted, as well as guidance for any adult supporting children and young people with their bereavement.

**Group support** - virtual groups for children, young people and parents/carers. More information and booking can be found here - <u>Winstonswish - Supporting you online. Grief support groups</u>

**1 to 1 support** - Direct video-based support to any child or young person aged between 7 and 25 years old in the UK; please note that there is currently a 6 month wait for this service. To make a referral please call their helpline on 08088 020021

#### www.winstonswish.org



## Crawley Labour Women

#### Are supporting these Crawley Charities in the cost of living crisis

C R A W L E Y OPEN HOUSE

The Easter Team



#### The Cost of Living Crisis is hitting us all hard.

If you are struggling there are organisations in Crawley that can help - so please reach out. If someone you know is struggling - please encourage them to reach out. If you are able to help with time or money or donations - please be in touch. We can only get through this by supporting each other and working together.

- Crawley Labour Women's Group; To Help; 07766 903880
- The Easter Team food bank; For Help; 07940 900948 To Help; 07930 896782
- Crawley Open House; 01293 447702
- Crawley Free Shop; 07861 907133
- Citizens Advice Bureau; 0808 278 7969
- Samaritans; 116 123

### **Dealing with Body-Confidence for Young People - ChildLine**

The world is now more superficial than ever before – tiktok, Instagram, snapchat and others have standardized, what the world expects people to look like. What the world expects when someone is termed 'beautiful'. For young people, the standard idea of beauty has always been an immense pressure for those transitioning between being a child and being a young person. Most of this transition occurs during secondary schools, and this puts an immense pressure on pupil's to conform with these ideas in order to be popular, or to fit within a group of friends. With an increasingly image based society low confidence among teenagers has become a far greater issue. Bullying and stigmatization against those who don't fit or don't think they fit within these standardized visions of how you should look, has an immensely negative effect on young people's mental health. And that can have a negative effect on educational performance and attendance. To help young people with this, ChildLine has created a page over on their site with advice on these issues. It would be an ideal resource for those putting together an assembly on these matters, or simply planning a lesson for their year group.

If you're interested please follow the link: Info-advice you your body, my body, how you look

## Mental Health Ambassadors

ICC Mental Health and Wellbeing Ambassadors are students who have shown a real interest in championing positive mental health and wellbeing. Our ambassadors are keen to share their learning around mental health and wellbeing and the importance of self-care. The Ambassadors have a responsibility for leading and promoting wellbeing throughout the school, they drive the message forward and release the stigma around talking about challenging feelings and encourage people to talk. The Ambassadors host drop-in sessions on a Tuesday and Thursday Lunch time in SO1 where any member of the college community can go to access support. As well as their role in supporting members of the college community the ICC Mental Health and Wellbeing Ambassadors provide feedback on what's working well and highlight any gaps in whole-school approaches to wellbeing.



Applications for our next cohort of Mental Health and Wellbeing Ambassadors are currently open, if you are able to demonstrate the following, please email Miss Hurrell on phu@ifieldcc.co.uk to begin the application process.

- Passionate about mental health and wellbeing
- Willing to raise awareness about mental health
- Open to different ideas and opinions
- Caring and considerate about others at ICC
- Willing to learn new things
- interested in improving your own wellbeing

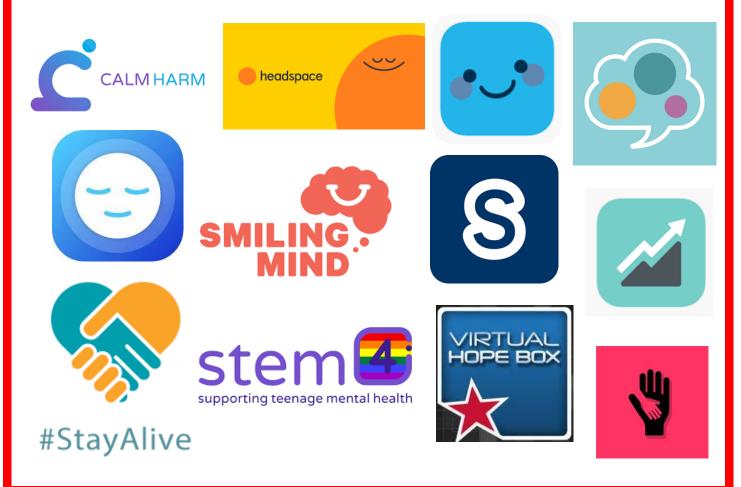






## **Useful Apps for Mental Health**

- Calm Harm an app that provides tasks that can help you resist or manage the urge to selfharm.
- Headspace Guided Meditation
- My Possible Self This enables the user to take control of their thoughts, feelings and behaviour
- SAM anxiety management an app to support young people to understand and cope with anxiety
- Mindshift an app with anxiety coping tools.
- Smiling Mind an app designed to assist people in dealing with the pressure, stress and challenges of daily life.
- Sleepio an app for those with sleeping difficulties
- Rise Up: Eating Disorder Help If you are struggling with food, dieting, exercise and body image.
- Stay Alive If you are having thoughts of suicide or you are concerned about someone else who may be considering suicide
- Stem 4: Calm Harm It gives you 4, 5 or 15 minute activities when you are having thoughts of self-harm
- Virtual Hope Box Distraction, inspiration, relaxation and coping tools
- What's Up For people coping with depression, anxiety, stress and anger.



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