



Safeguarding in Education Newsletter Spring 2019



Wigan Safeguarding Board Annual Conference 2019

Welcome to the Spring Edition of the Wigan Safeguarding Children Board termly Newsletter. We are pleased to announce that the Wigan Safeguarding Board Annual Conference is on the 7th June, 2019. Booking early is essential, so secure your place now:

<http://wiganlscb.virtual-college.co.uk/Default.aspx>



New Training Brochure for 2019/20

WSCB have released the 2019/20 Training Brochure, which includes learning that may be relevant to you and your staff. All the training provided is available for **Free** under your Service Level Agreement (SLA) with the Board. We strongly advise that you take a look at the new brochure and take full advantage of completing any face to face or E-Learning courses.

WSCB are also busy working on 2 new courses 'County Lines and Criminal Exploitation' and 'Poverty and Homelessness and its impact on Safeguarding Children.' We will update you once they are available. You can view the training brochure here:

<http://www.wiganlscb.com/Docs/PDF/Professional/WSCB-Training-and-Development-Programme.pdf>

Having Difficult Conversations with Parents and Carers

WSCB have produced a guide for professionals who work with children and their families, in order to support practitioners in initiating difficult conversations where there may be a safeguarding concern regarding a child. The guide can be found here:

<http://www.wiganlscb.com/Docs/PDF/Professional/Difficult-Conversations.pdf>



Engaging With All Parents and Carers Booklet (Anna Freud Centre)

Mental health charity, the Anna Freud Centre, has created a **free** booklet to help schools support parents.

The booklet, developed by teachers, clinicians and parents and carers explores a range of innovative ways that schools can help children by successfully engaging with parents and carers.



You can access it here:

<https://www.annafreud.org/insights/news/2019/03/engaging-with-all-parents-and-carers-booklet-launched-to-school-staff/#Accept>

Ofsted - Safeguarding children and young people in education from knife crime

Ofsted have recently published a report looking at how schools in London are working to reduce knife crime amongst young people. The Ofsted research sought to find out:

What are schools doing to safeguard young people from knife crime while on school premises? How are schools giving children the knowledge and skills to stay safer in their local communities? And how are exclusions being used when children bring knives to school?

You can access the report here: [https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/785055Knife crime safeguarding children and young people 110319.pdf](https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/785055Knife_crime_safeguarding_children_and_young_people_110319.pdf)

Home Office #knifefree lesson plans

One of the challenges outlined on the Ofsted research report was the problem of finding high quality resources to help talk about knife crime with pupils. The Home Office and the PSHE Association have a set of materials for use with Key Stage 3 and 4. You can find the here:

<https://www.pshe-association.org.uk/curriculum-and-resources/resources/home-office-knifefree-lesson-plans-ks34>



Jessie and Friends #KidsSaferOnline



It is highly likely that the under 7s you work with are spending a significant amount of their life online watching videos, gaming, and connecting with friends. 'Jessie and Friends' has recently been developed by CEOP and the National Crime Agency and provides resources to keep children safer online. It is also been awarded the PSHE quality mark. You read more about it here: [https://](https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/professionals/)

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Important Changes under the Prevent Duty

As a named responsible authority within the recently reviewed Prevent Duty; your school has a set of specific tasks and duties, one of which is to play an active role in the referral and management of individuals at risk of radicalisation. The North West is one of the Home Office's pilot sites for the roll out of Operation Dovetail. This essentially shifts responsibility for case management of cases which meet a Channel threshold from Greater Manchester Police to the Local Authority.

In order to prepare for this, the Safeguarding Boards have updated the existing policy and procedure to reflect these changes, which can be found here:

<http://www.wiganlscb.com/Docs/PDF/Professional/Guidance-for-working-with-people-vulnerable-to-messages-of-violent-extremism.pdf>