Staying Safe This Summer

As we get closer to the summer, and some of you will be leaving us soon, we would like to remind you how important it is that you stay safe and healthy.

It's not always easy to admit it, but we all need help and advice sometimes. Whatever the problem is, talking about it can be the first step to solving it. If there is an adult you can trust like a parent, carer or a professional, talk to them. There are also lots of agencies you can contact for extra support, advice and guidance.

Stay Safe Online

Remember:

- Check your security settings
- Never share your address, phone number or tell anyone you don't know where you are.
- Never agree to meet anyone you don't know
- Don't go on private chat areas
- Block unwanted contacts if you feel uncomfortable
- Report anything you are worried about – you can do this anonymously
- Never send naked pictures of yourself or send pictures of other people
- Check out the ZIPIT app which has been designed with you in mind to take control of your online chat
- A really good place to find out more about apps online is the NHS Apps Library here: www.nhs.uk/apps-library
- Be aware of live streaming don't be pressured to do or say something you wouldn't do if you were actually with the person.

You can get support and advice for you or your friends from CEOP, if something has happened online which has made you feel unsafe, scared or worried.

The CEOP Thinkuknow website also has information and advice to help you to stay safe online.

www.ceop.police/safety-centre



Look After Your Emotional & Mental Health

A lot has changed over the past year which may have left you worried or feeling emotions that are different from usual. Childline have a number of resources and activities that could help. Support from ChildLine is available ONLINE, ON THE PHONE, ANYTIME.

Advice and information is available to help you with lots of issues including:

- Bullying, abuse, safety and the law
- Your feelings, friends and relationships
- Home and families
- School, college, and work.

You can create a safe space online 'Your Locker'. It's your personal space where you can customise, create a journal and access private messages to a counsellor.

You can access support via the Childline web site – log on for 1-2-1 support, e mail or call their helpline free on 0800 11 11 (9ammidnight).

www.childline.org.uk



The eClinic app is a free instant messaging service which enables young people to self-refer, book appointents and talk to a CAMHS Practitioner. The app can be downloaded via android or IOS.



Look After Your Physical Health

As lockdown continues to ease and you start to socialise with friends and family more it is important to get out and about. Remember to wear sun cream and drink lots of water.

Try to keep a routine. Go to bed and get up at the same time, even in the holidays. This will help when you return to school or college or start work in September. Have some treats but remember to eat healthy food too. It will make you feel better.

Remember to keep safe by following these simple rules:

- Try to do 60 minutes of physical activity a day
- Try and maintain a balanced diet – poor nutrition can cause long term health problems
- Try to get at least 8 10 hours of sleep each night
- Have time away from your devices, especially just before you go to sleep
- Don't walk alone at night
- Never take a short cut through an isolated area
- Stay safe near roads, be sensible, don't take risks
- Don't wear earphones when cycling – you can't hear the road
- Report any concerns or incidents about road or rail to the British Transport Police on 0800 40 50 40 or text 61016.



