

Lady Lumley's School Wellbeing Newsletter July 2021



School is out for Summer!

We are sending this out today wishing you a lovely & safe summer. As usual the sources of support and advice are contained within this newsletter. This edition also includes some summer specific safety tips and the Action for Happiness Calendar for July and August.

Water Safety

It is perfectly natural to want to cool off when it's hot. Unsuitable rivers and quarries hide dangers below, with the additional hazards of freezing cold water and currents. Teenagers especially are drawn in by peers. With limited swimming over the last year, it will be important to remind young people how to stay safe in or alongside water.

We're supporting the launch of RLSS UK's free, online water safety toolkit which teaches families how to enjoy the water, safely.

The 'Lifesaver-Lifechanger' toolkit, gives people the confidence to keep themselves and others safe around the water by providing instruction on safe land-based rescues. This short course provides skills for life that will set individuals and families on a journey to gain knowledge and confidence to enjoy the water, safely. You even get a certificate!



Where to find support:

School: support@ladylu mleys.net

Compass Buzz:



Shout:

shout here for you 24/7

Just text for help at anytime

Mental Health Crisis Team:



0800 051 6171 for the mental health crisis team.

NHS:



Sun Safety

The Teenage Cancer Trust found that nearly two-thirds (61%) of young people aged 13-24 have avoided using sunscreen in order to get a better tan. As the weather gets hotter in the UK, we need to be more knowledgeable about keeping safe in the sun then ever before.

The damage done to young skin can lead to skin cancer developing in later life, so it's vital to help young people protect themselves in the sun.

LOVE THE SUN, PROTECT YOUR SKIN

Being outside in the sun is fun! You just need to make sure you're safe

How do we protect ourselves from UV rays so we can stay safe and have fun in the sun?







Teenage Cancer Trust is a registered charity: 1062559 (England & Wales); SC039757 (Scotland)

Parents' guide to safeguarding in out of school settings

Many parents and carers will be looking for childcare providers and other out of school settings during the summer holidays. The parents' guide is also available in several community languages (links are at the top right of the web page).

Download the 'Guidance for parents and carers'

here: https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/guidance-for-parents-and-carers-on-safeguarding-children-in-out-of-school-settings

Action For Happiness Calendar - July



The Calendar for August will be available here:

https://www.actionforhappiness.org/calendars



SUMMER HOLIDAYS



The summer holidays can be a great chance to spend time with friends and have some time off. But sometimes it can feel a bit lonely. Or you might miss the routine you have when you're in school. On this page from Childline you can find:

- Coping with summer holidays
 - Staying safe
 - Ways to cope

https://www.childline.org.uk/info-advice/home-families/seasonal-events/summer-holidays/

Coping strategies – what if I'm feeling anxious or stressed?

Breathing techniques can control the physical symptoms of stress or anxiety whilst helping you think more clearly.

(adapted from Compass BUZZ)



Hi Five Breathing

Try holding up your right hand with your palm towards you. Then starting at the bottom edge of your hand, with a finger from your left hand, you slowly bring your finger up to the top of your little finger, while you do this take a long breath in. Then breathe out slowly and as you do this bring your finger to the bottom of the next finger, repeating until you reach your thumb. Repeat this for as long as you need to relax

Supporting wellbeing

A reminder of where you can look for support or guidance:

- The Go To Provides support and guidance on wellbeing and mental health for young people and parents in North Yorkshire
- Compass Buzz, 'Buzz US' service Compass BUZZ offers a confidential text
 messaging service to young people aged 11-18 across North Yorkshire. By texting
 the service on 07520 631168 you will be able to receive confidential advice,
 support and signposting from a wellbeing worker within one working day via text.
- Young Minds Their website includes guides for both parents/carers and young people. As a school we successfully raised over £500 through our 'Hello Yellow' non-uniform day back in October.
- One You The 'Every Mind Matters' campaign from the NHS includes guides on dealing with change, self care and dealing with social media. There are tips for parents/carers to help support children who may be struggling with their mental health.
- NHS England A clear article with tips and guidance on what to do if you're a
 young person and you're struggling, including further links to other websites and
 support.
- Rise Above Orientated towards young people, this website has plenty of videos and tips on a wide range of wellbeing and mental health issues.
- <u>Kooth</u> Kooth is an online mental health service for children, young people and adults. In North Yorkshire, Kooth offers free online counselling and emotional wellbeing support for children and young people.

Safeguarding Support and Guidance

A reminder of where Parents and Carers can look for support or guidance:

- <u>North Yorkshire Safeguarding Children Partnership</u> have some useful support and guidance for parents and carers for Lockdown 3.
- <u>Child Exploitation</u> advice for parents/carers who think a child or young person may be exploited and/or groomed by being given things, like gifts, drugs, money, status and affection.
- Child and Family Bereavement Support.
- <u>Early Help</u> Early Help, it is the way that everyone works together to support the needs of families.
- Compass REACH is a free, confidential health and wellbeing service for children and young people in North Yorkshire who need support with issues related to drugs, alcohol, mental health and / or sexual health. 01609 777 662 or 0800 008 7452
- Young Carers Support If your child is caring for you or helping to care for a sibling or family member who lives with you there are Young Carer's services across the county who can provide a wide range of support. To find out what support is available, contact the carers' centres in the area you live in for further information 01723 850155
- IDAS IDAS provides support for victims and survivors of domestic abuse in North Yorkshire info@idas.org.uk 03000 110 110 Live Chat web chat facility Monday to Friday early evenings via the IDAS website
- NSPCC NSPCC have a wide range of information and advice for parents and carers
- Ryedale Foodbank
- Worried About a Child? Where there are significant immediate concerns about the safety of a child, please contact the police on 999. If you believe the situation is urgent but does not require the police, please call 01609 780780 to make a telephone contact.
- If you are worried you can contact Mrs Elsworth at school, by emailing telsworth@ladylumleys.net or outside of school hours on our Safeguarding telephone number 07308305913 during the summer holiday this is not staffed. If you are unable to reach us and you are worried about any child and think they may be a victim of neglect or abuse please call the North Yorkshire Multi-Agency Screening Team (MAST) by calling 01609780780 Should your call be outside of business hours (Monday Friday / 9am-5pm) please still call 01609 780780 to speak to the Emergency Duty Team.



Wellbeing Apps



Daylio is a free private journal app, without the need to type! Choose from emojis to represent your mood and activities you have been doing. Over time you can notice patterns and understand your habits better.





Headspace is a free app offering guided meditations, mindfulness, sleep advice, animations, articles and videos. Some of the content is only available to paid subscribers.

Calm Harm is a free app designed to help people resist or manage the urge to self-harm. It has the option of being private and password protected. Using the app you can track your progress and notice change.





Calm is a free app for meditation and sleep, including guided meditations, mindfulness, sleep stories, breathing programs, masterclasses and relaxing music. Some content is only available through an optional paid subscription.

MindShift is a free, scientifically based anxiety tool based on cognitive behavioural therapy to help you learn to relax and be mindful, develop more effective ways of thinking and use active steps to take change of anxiety.





Clear Fear is a free app providing ways to manage worry and anxiety. It uses a cognitive behavioural framework to help you change anxious thoughts and emotions, alter anxious behaviours and calm fear responses. It also has helpful resources and a grit box to boost resilience. It is recommended for the ages of 11-19 years.

Online-safety update from North Yorkshire Police

North Yorkshire Police is raising awareness about 10 less well-known apps and chat tools used by paedophiles to contact young people online.

Worryingly, these apps have featured in a range of recent investigations into child abuse, indecent images of children, sexual communication with a child offences.

Apps such as Whisper and Kik are increasingly featuring in such cases, which require extensive enquiries by the force's Digital Forensics Unit to secure key evidence.



https://northyorkshire.police.uk/news/police-urge-parents-to-check-kids-phones-for-10-apps-used-by-online-child-abusers/