



## Mawsley CP School Newsletter– Safeguarding at the Heart of Our Community

Welcome to the Summer 1 safeguarding newsletter, helping everyone in our school community to feel safe, supported and happy.

### Spot the signs – County lines



Leaving home with no explanation

Missing from school or in places they wouldn't usually visit.



Unexplained injuries/self harm

Suddenly have new clothes, money, mobile phones etc.



Receiving excess amount of phone calls or texts.



New friendships with older, controlling people.



School grades suffering



Change in emotional well-being



Gang associations

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### County Lines and Knife Crime Information Evening

**Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> May, 6pm.**

*'That isn't relevant for children who go to Mawsley School.'*

*'It'll probably be a waste of time for me – my child wouldn't be at risk from this kind of thing'.*

Understandably, many parents may feel that this is not relevant to primary aged children. However, building knowledge within our school community among parents enables us all to protect all children from these risks.

Phase 3 & 4 parents have been invited to a county lines and knife crime information evening, to find out more about how to spot signs that your child, older siblings or friends of children / peers may be vulnerable to these dangers.

To book your place, please contact the office by **this Friday 28<sup>th</sup> April:**

[office@mawsley.co.uk](mailto:office@mawsley.co.uk) or 01536 799182

**Did you know that 'County Lines'** is the term given to: *'criminal activity in which drug dealers in major cities establish networks for the supply and sale of drugs to users in towns and rural areas, using other people (typically those who are young or otherwise vulnerable) to carry, store, and sell the drugs'?*

**Did you know that Kettering has one of the highest rates of county lines incidents in Northamptonshire?**

**Did you know that 'Knife Crime'** is possessing, buying a knife if under 18, using a knife, threatening with a knife or intending to or injuring someone with a knife?



# YOU ARE NOT THE ONLY ONE...

If you are aged between 5-15 years and are helping to care for someone with a long term illness or disability (including mental health or substance misuse) you are a young carer and we are able to help.

## You May Take On Some Of The Following Tasks:

- ▶ Housework, Cooking, Shopping, Cleaning
- ▶ Communication
- ▶ Fetching/Administering Medicine
- ▶ Listening/Emotional Support (helping someone to feel ok)
- ▶ Looking after Siblings
- ▶ Financial Help i.e. Paying Bills, Reading Letters

## Types Of Support We Can Offer:

- ▶ Information/Advice
- ▶ Meeting Others in a Similar Situation
- ▶ Social Activities/Groups
- ▶ Family Help/Support Planning
- ▶ Working with Schools
- ▶ Awareness Raising
- ▶ 1-1 Support

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🌐 [www.northamptonshire-carers.org/young-carers](http://www.northamptonshire-carers.org/young-carers)

## Supporting Our Young Carers at Mawsley School

Our children at Mawsley School come from a variety of family backgrounds. Some of our children do a wonderful job of helping to support members of their family through long-term or short-term episodes of illness or disability.

The Northamptonshire Young Carers Service provides support for children who may be undertaking tasks such as: helping with chores around the house, fetching and carrying, preparing food and drinks, sorting out medication, looking after younger brothers and sisters or assisting with personal and private care for the person being looked after.

Young Carers can often feel different to their friends. Young carers may feel proud and confident in their roles or sometimes embarrassed or worried about what other people think. Some young carers may find it tricky to access clubs etc around the needs of their families.

The Northamptonshire Young Carers Service:

- Runs activities and groups to help young carers meet other young people in similar situations and offer one to one support.
- Has stories about other young carers and families to share.
- Has social media pages including Facebook and Instagram, for extended support.

The Northamptonshire Young Carers Service may also link up with other services to make sure that young carers are supported.

If you think you might be a Young Carer, or are a parent/guardian of a Young Carer, contact The Northamptonshire Young Carers Service:

<https://www.northamptonshire-carers.org> 01933 677907

## Out of Hours Safeguarding

If you are concerned about the safety or welfare of a child outside of school hours, please contact the MASH team on 0300 126 1000 (option 1) or e-mail them at [MASH@nctrust.co.uk](mailto:MASH@nctrust.co.uk)

If you think a child is in immediate danger or missing, please contact the police and/or an ambulance directly by phoning 999

If you are concerned about the safety or welfare of a child, who is not in immediate danger of harm, please speak to one of our Designated Safeguarding Leads.