



SAFEGUARDING BULLETIN FOR PARENTS



Working with young people in home environment

Many of our pupils are supported by PA's outside of school in their home. As a parent/carer the below suggestions may be helpful

- ◇ Is the person you are employing as a PA/Childminder via an agency or directly, covered by liability insurance?
- ◇ Do they have an enhanced DBS clearance—have you seen proof?
- ◇ Have you agreed a way of working— drawn up a contract? This is particularly important to cover administration of things like medication.
- ◇ Make sure information is available about the young person— behaviours, allergies, fears, likes/dislikes
- ◇ Any safeguarding issues/concerns you have or the PA has should be shared with MASH
- ◇ Is your home and appliances safe and meeting national safety standards if you expect someone to work in the environment?

PA work can be an amazing rewarding link for all parties—but please make sure the relationship is established in a safe and professional way to protect all parties concerned.

National Internet Safety Day 11th February 2020

Internet Safety



Some information and tips to help with internet safety:

The internet can be a great resource, however it is also a very popular avenue for people who wish to take advantage of more vulnerable members of society.

Mencap have produced a brochure on "Learning Disabilities, Autism and Internet safety a guide for parents" The link is below

<https://www.mencap.org.uk/sites/default/files/2016-11/internet-Safety-web-2016.pdf>



The National Online Safety Organisation:



YouTube



<https://nationalonlinesafety.com>

This website gives information on particular apps and what as a parent you should be aware of. These include Facebook, Whats App, You Tube, Tik Tok and Shap Chat.

If you child plays any games on consoles or accesses Smart Phones please make sure that they are suitably protected from unwanted activity.

Childnet International

This is a very informative website—which helps with dilemmas for parents/ carers when young people use the internet.

<https://www.childnet.com/parents-and-carers>

PARENT WORKSHOPS

We regularly run parent workshops on Internet Safety. If you would like to attend or have any queries please contact Will Traverse or a DSL at school.

Thanks and safe surfing!!

