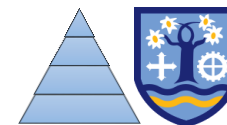




OUTSIDE AGENCY SUPPORT & INFORMATION



ORGANISATION	USEFUL LINKS	SUMMARY
Targeted Family Support	http://www.worcestershire.gov.uk/info/20644/targeted_family_support Please visit the website for more details. Targeted Family support can be accessed by anyone through the Family Front Door on 01905 822666.	Once a referral has been accepted, a Targeted Family Support worker will work with families and children to manage and overcome difficulties and challenges that can occur at any point in a child's life, with the aim to stop it getting worse. Families can self-refer, or Pershore High can refer for you.
Worcestershire Family Information Service (FIS)	http://www.worcestershire.gov.uk/info/20507/childcare/1579/family_information_service	Worcestershire Family Information Service (FIS) advisors give impartial information on childcare, finances, parenting and education . FIS are a useful source of information for parents and professionals. They support families, children and young people aged 0-19 years of age (25 for young people with additional needs) and professionals working with these families. They can help link parents up with other organisations that might be able to help or provide the information themselves.
Worcestershire Safeguarding Children's Partnership (WSCP)	https://www.safeguardingworcestershire.org.uk/	Information for parents (and professionals) across Worcestershire in relation to keeping children safe and avenues of support including early help options. This website provides information on the safeguarding of children (and adults) and includes all the agreed Worcestershire safeguarding and child protection procedures designed to prevent harm and neglect.
Debt Advice	https://www.moneyadvice.service.org.uk/en/tools/debt-advice-locator - Money Advice Service – set up by UK Government Tel: 0800 138 7777 https://www.citizensadvice.org.uk/debt-and-money/ - Citizens Advice	Dealing with money issues can be off-putting, a number of organisations are can provide the information to make the right choices to help you deal with debt problems.
Loan Shark support	https://www.gov.uk/report-loan-shark Government information. http://www.stoploansharks.co.uk/ - Tel: 0300 555 2222 secure and safe reporting about loan sharks. Set up by Government to investigate and prosecute loan sharks and illegal moneylenders.	Loan sharks are illegal moneylenders who often charge very high interest rates. They can resort to intimidation or violence. You can check if a company is authorised to lend money and report loan sharks anonymously.
Food bank	https://pershore.foodbank.org.uk/ Pershore High School is able to provide Pershore foodbank vouchers for families – please contact your child's Head of House or Sandy Poulton or Zoe Budding. You can make direct contact with the Pershore foodbank by email: info@pershore.foodbank.org.uk or call: 01386 555347	From time to time family finances can become extremely difficult for example from redundancy or because of an unexpected bill or expense. The foodbank provides three days of nutritionally balanced, non-perishable food as well as toiletries, household cleaning products and pet food. Pershore Foodbank also host Citizens Advice in some sessions.



<p>Domestic Violence</p>	<p>24 hr Domestic Abuse helpline 0800 980 3331. Find further information at: http://www.worcestershire.gov.uk/info/20379/domestic_violence_and_sexual_abuse</p> <p>Please note – we are an <u>Operation Encompass school</u> – information about domestic abuse incidents, involving the police, is shared with schools to enable appropriate support to be given to the child if needed. This information is treated as confidential at all times.</p>  	<p>The Worcestershire Domestic and Sexual Abuse website offers help and guidance for women, children and men who are experiencing or have experienced domestic or sexual abuse. It also provides information for people who know someone who may be being abused.</p>
<p>Selfie Project</p>	<p>https://www.wmrsasc.org.uk/children-and-young-people/selfie-project/</p> <p>Please visit the website for more details.</p>	<p>The SELFIE project is a series of up to 7 sessions designed to increase young people’s access to high quality sexual violence prevention and support. The workshops are delivered by WMRSASC personnel. The sessions can be standalone or as a series of sessions.</p>
<p>CRUSH</p>	<p>http://www.westmerciawomensaid.org/crush</p> <p>Please see Advice sheet for parents “CRUSH – Advice for Parents – Teenage dating violence & abuse” which can be found in the Website Support Sheet section.</p> <p>A Dept of Health/Home Office guide can be found at: https://www.boltonsafeguardingchildren.org.uk/downloads/file/10/a-parents-guide-to-violence-and-abuse-in-teenage-relationships</p>	<p>CRUSH is an awareness raising and support programme to help young people make safe and healthy relationships. The sessions are run in small groups and are specifically designed for 13 – 19 year olds. Referrals can be made on the website by using the ‘Referral’ button at the top of the webpage.</p> <p>Info & referral line 0800 014 9084 By email at@ crush@westmerciawomensaid.org</p>
<p>PCSO</p>	<p>https://www.westmercia.police.uk/article/2656/Pershore-Town-Team-Information</p> <p>Please visit the website for more details.</p>	<p>Police Community Support Officers – support Pershore High School students as and when required.</p>
<p>Hate Crime</p>	<p>http://www.report-it.org.uk/what_is_hate_crime</p> <p>West Mercia Police – Emergency 999; non-emergency number 101 Call in at your local police station</p> <p>https://educateagainsthate.com/parents/ - provides support and advice for parents about different hate crimes.</p>	<p>A hate crime is a criminal offense whose motivation can be shown to be race, national origin, religion or sexual orientation. A difference of race alone is NOT sufficient to make it a hate crime. There would have to be evidence of racial slurs or racial statements in addition to the crime (this does not trivialise other serious offenses that are NOT hate crimes).</p>



Stalking	<p>Advice and support helpline include: https://www.suzylamplugh.org/Pages/Category/national-stalking-helpline The helpline operates a triage service for local support. Tel: 0808 802 0300</p> <p>https://paladinservice.co.uk/ National Stalking Advocacy Service. Tel: 020 3866 4107</p>	<p>Definition – A pattern of unwanted, fixated and obsessive behaviour which is intrusive and causes fear of violence or serious alarm or distress. General Advice:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ If it doesn't feel right it probably isn't! ▪ Seek support from trusted family/friends ▪ Report to the police and do this early ▪ Keep a diary in a secure location ▪ Screenshot emails etc and save them ▪ Photograph/video your stalker if safely possible. ▪ Get advice: Hollie Gazzard Trust, Paladin etc... ▪ Tighten security; home, work and on-line
Hollie Guard - personal safety app	<p>https://hollieguard.com</p>	<p>A personal safety app for your phone. By shaking your phone, it starts to make audio and visual recordings that are automatically sent to an identified contacted. Settings can be personalised to prevent accidental 'shakes'.</p>
Children and the court system	<p>https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/young-witness-booklet-for-12-to-17-year-olds - this booklet explains what it means to be a witness, how to give evidence and the help you can get.</p> <p>https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/your-child-is-a-witness-booklet-for-parents-carers-and-helpers - this booklet gives information for parents, carers and others going to court with a young witness, including the help you can get.</p>	<p>Children are sometimes required to give evidence in courts, either for crimes committed against them or for crimes they have witnessed.</p> <p>Going to court as a witness can be stressful and might impact a child's mood; if we know about the situation, we endeavour to support in any way we can.</p>
E-safety (online safety)	<p>www.paceuk.info PACE (parents against child exploitation) UK is a useful website to engage parents with safety issues.</p> <p>https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/parents/ CEOP is the Child Exploitation and Online Protection (CEOP) Centre. It's a one stop shop for most information about online safety.</p> <p>http://educateagainsthate.com/ - A government website to help parents and professionals understand the risks of children and young people being radicalised by extremists online and how to keep children safe from this.</p> <p>www.internetmatters.org – A great site for helping parents keep their children safe online.</p> <p>https://www.cyber4schools.net/parent-information - an information site aimed at cyber security.</p>	<p>Online Activity (phones, computers) can be a serious risk to children: The use of technology has become a significant component of many safeguarding issues. Child sexual exploitation; radicalisation; sexual predation – technology often provides the platform that facilitates harm.</p> <p>With the right support, education and safety measures in place the internet and new technologies can also bring great benefits.</p>
Sexting	<p>Information about sexting and advice for supporting children about the risks of sexting can be found at: https://www.childnet.com/parents-and-carers/hot-topics/sexting</p>	<p>The term sexting is the sending of sexually explicit images; it describes the use of technology to share intimate or sexual photos or videos. NB - IT IS ILLEGAL TO STORE, SEND, SHARE sexual images of anyone under 18 even if it is created by a child under 18.</p>



<p>CAMHS CAST (Child & adolescent Mental Health Service)</p>	<p>https://www.hacw.nhs.uk/our-services/childrens-community-health-services/camhs/cast/</p> <p>Please see Advice sheet for parents “CAMHS CAST – parents leaflet” which can be found in the Website Support Sheet section.</p>	<p>CAMHS CAST is a service that is part of Worcestershire CAMHS. The CAST Team work with the school to consult and advise where parents and/or school are concerned about a student’s mental health.</p> <p>Parents’ consent is required.</p>
<p>Reach 4 Wellbeing</p>	<p>https://www.hacw.nhs.uk/starting-well/reach4wellbeing/</p> <p>Please see Advice sheet for parents “REACH4WELLBEING LEAFLET” which can be found in the Website Support Sheet section.</p>	<p>Reach4Wellbeing is part of the CAMHS team and they deliver short-term group support programmes for those experiencing mild to moderate emotional difficulties specifically anxiety and low mood.</p> <p>Parents can self-refer or referrals can be made by GP, School Nurse or PHS.</p>
<p>Bereavement counselling</p>	<p>https://www.strichards.org.uk/our-care/supporting-the-family/bereavement-service/</p> <p>Please see Advice sheet for parents “ST RICHARDS BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT FLYER” which can be found in the Website Support Sheet section.</p>	<p>St Richard’s Hospice – can support students who have experienced bereavement. The support can be given at school if preferred.</p>
<p>Mental Health – support websites</p>	<p>http://talktofootsteps.co.uk/ Please see Advice sheet for parents “FOOTSTEPS LEAFLET” which can be found in the Website Support Sheet section.</p> <p>www.hacw.nhs.uk/a-to-z/letter-s/ - use this to access a range of NHS ‘Self Help Guides’</p> <p>www.stayingsafe.net – Staying safe – from suicidal thoughts</p> <p>https://papyrus-uk.org/ - for the prevention of young suicide: Tel: 0800 068 4141</p> <p>www.sane.org.uk SANE – mental health charity: Tel 0300 304 7000</p> <p>www.samaritans.org.uk Samaritans – 24/7 helpline 116 123</p> <p>www.rethink.org Rethink Mental Illness – offers groups, services expert information for everyone.</p> <p>https://www.mind.org.uk/information-support/guides-to-support-and-services/ Mind – provide advice and support for anyone experiencing a mental health issue.</p> <p>https://www.anxietyuk.org.uk/ - support for anxiety and anxiety based depression.</p>	<p>Footsteps is an alternative Bereavement Support organisation that Pershore High School students have used with success.</p> <p>The websites identified are a small range of those available on the internet.</p>
<p>WMRASASC</p>	<p>https://www.wmrsasc.org.uk/</p> <p>Please visit the website for more details.</p>	<p>Free, confidential and non-judgemental support for survivors of any form of sexual harassment or abuse.</p>
<p>Child Sexual Exploitation</p>	<p>Information sources:</p> <p>https://paceuk.info/ Parents Against Sexual Exploitation – the leading national charity working with parents and carers.</p> <p>https://www.nspcc.org.uk/what-is-child-abuse/types-of-abuse/child-sexual-exploitation/ NSPCC – definitions, statistics, facts and resources about CSE.</p>	<p>CSE is a type of child abuse that happens when a young person is encouraged, or forced, to take part in sexual activity in exchange for something. The reward might be presents, money, alcohol, or simply just the promise of love and affection.</p> <p>CSE affects both boys and girls and can happen in all communities.</p>

<p>The Branch Project (CSE support)</p>	<p>https://www.wmrsasc.org.uk/the-branch-project/ Please visit the website for more details.</p>	<p>The Branch Project works with children and young people who have experienced Child Sexual Exploitation (CSE) or are worried about it. The Branch Project workers listen but do not pressure students to talk about anything that makes them uncomfortable. Students are seen 1-1, normally in school. Parents can self-refer or referrals can be made by PHS.</p>
<p>Get Safe</p>	<p>http://www.worcestershire.gov.uk/getsafe Get Safe stands for: Gangs, Sexual Exploitation, Trafficking, Modern Day Slavery, Absent or Missing, Forced Marriage, Criminal Exploitation.</p>	<p>Get Safe is the Worcestershire name for multi-agency support and protection for children and young people at risk of Criminal Exploitation. The Get Safe partnership (police, health, education, Children’s services and a range of voluntary services) is committed to tackling Child Exploitation and supporting victims and their families who experience this.</p>
<p>DIVERT</p>	<p>It is a diversionary service aimed at young people (13 – 16) who are displaying anti-social behaviour, have started to disengage or who are feeling lost and alone. https://www.yss.org.uk/divert or call 07584 706 394</p>	<p>Divert uses skilled YSS co-ordinators and volunteer mentors to provide 1-1 support to young people who are referred to the service, helping them to access community based activities and other appropriate services. The aim is to prevent minor issues becoming major issues further down the line. Referrals can be made by parents or PHS.</p>
<p>Mentor Link</p>	<p>https://www.mentorlink.org.uk/ Please visit the website for more details.</p>	<p>Mentor Link provides Mentors who work with students in school, once a week. The Mentors are matched to the needs of the student. There is a cost for this service – £200/term.</p>
<p>Young Carers</p>	<p>https://www.yss.org.uk/worcestershire-young-carers Please see Advice sheet for parents “WORCESTERSHIRE YOUNG CARERS FACT SHEET” which can be found in the Website Support Sheet section.</p>	<p>Young Carers is commissioned by Worcestershire County Council to provide assessment, signposting, one to one support and monthly youth clubs for young people with a caring role at home, aged between seven and 17, who live in Worcestershire. Parents can self-refer a child through the website or PHS can make a referral.</p>
<p>Mermaids</p>	<p>https://www.mermaidsuk.org.uk/ Please visit the website for more details.</p>	<p>Mermaids is an organisation who can offer support to children and young people who are transgender and/or gender diverse, and their families. Support options include a parents’ forum, teens forum and a helpline. They can put families in touch with local support groups and signpost to information and links to other local organisations.</p>

<p>Swanswell – drug and alcohol support.</p>	<p>https://www.cranstoun.org/services/young-people/swanswell-worcestershire/</p>	<p>We can work with you if you want to change your alcohol and/or drug use, and live in Worcestershire. Our service is for young people and adults.</p> <p><i>Swanswell Worcestershire is based at three locations. This page provides details of our Worcester base. You can also have a look at our Redditch and Kidderminster pages</i></p>
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