RIPON GRAMMAR SAFEGUARDING NEWSLETTER



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Our local Police School Liaison Officer is: Mr M. Powell

Local Safeguarding risks include:

- Child on Child abuse online
- Child on Child abuse sexual harassment/sexual violence
- Child criminal exploitation/ County Lines

Additional Resources:

- Online parenting support for a variety of issues—leaflet attached.
- Cyber information for parents/ guardians information attached.

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Fire Safety

Whether it's during a major event like bonfire night or simply while using a heater on a chilly day, fire safety is a vitally important topic on which to educate children and young people. One mistake with fireworks, electronics or open flames can have catastrophic consequences: damage to property, serious injury or even worse.

As parents and educators, it's vital that we teach the children in our care how to protect themselves around fire and flammable materials in a mature and responsible manner. This free guide offers expert advice on how to educate children and young people on fire safety, detailing what precautions can be taken to keep them as safe as possible when exposed to fire-related dangers.

See attached information leaflet for further information.

Site Security - what can parents/carers do to help?

Dropping off and picking up students – when you are dropping your child off at school or picking them up, please do not drop them off on the school grounds (unless there is a medical reason, or you are a boarding parent). The front of school becomes exceptionally busy in the morning and at the end of the school day, therefore careful consideration should be given to where parents stop.

Mobility access and visitors – there are designated spaces in the main car park.

Signing in on arrival and signing out on departure – all adults who come on to the school site **MUST** sign in at reception. If someone on the school site has not signed in and is not wearing a lanyard they will be asked politely to be escorted back to reception.

Lanyards – There are a range of colours which you will see adults wearing around Ripon Grammar School:



Blue lanyard: Member of school staff.

Black lanyard: Visitors. DBS cleared. (unsupervised access to students is permitted)

Red lanyard: Visitor. (not DBS checked and must be accompanied by another adult around the school site)

Cyberbullying

What is cyberbullying?

Cyberbullying is bullying online and can take many forms such as sending malicious messages, leaving nasty comments, excluding somebody from a group chat, blackmailing or setting up a fake profile. Cyberbullying can take place across many different platforms such as WhatsApp, Snapchat and on games such as Roblox and Minecraft.

For more information: https://www.nationalbullyinghelpline.co.uk/cyberbullying.html

Should you have any questions or concerns please do not hesitate to contact me directly or one of the safeguarding team.