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Dear Parent/Guardian

Merseyside Child Exploitation

Merseyside Police has asked us to share some resources and useful websites with you to raise awareness about child exploitation across Merseyside.

Merseyside's Violence Reduction Partnership has produced a guide to help you understand and identify the signs of County Lines, so you can be better prepared to identify the signs and know who to contact if you are worried about anything. It can be accessed via the following link: https://eyes-open.co.uk/wp-content/uploads/2021/04/MP_PocketGuide_A6_20pp_MERSEYSIDE_DIGITAL_SINGLEPAGES_200323.pdf

There is external support available such as,

- Childline: Free, confidential advice anytime, whatever your worry, whenever you need help. 0800 1111 www.childline.org.uk
- NSPCC: If you're worried about a child, even if you're unsure, contact our professional counsellors for help, advice and support. 0808 800 5000 www.nspcc.org.uk
- Merseyside Police: You can call on 101. If it's an emergency ring 999
- DM the police on Twitter or Facebook: @MerPolCC Instagram: @merseysidepolice
- If you need to report something without anyone knowing you can call...
 - Crimestoppers: You can share information over the phone or online without being traced. 0800 555 111 www.crimestoppers-uk.org
 - Fearless: A safe place where you can report a crime, and get information: www.fearless.org/en

There is support and advice available in school as well should you need it. Your child's Head of Year is available by phone or email. We also have a Safeguarding team who can be contacted by phone or email – sgteam@cardinal-heenan.org.uk. Our Safer School Police Officer is PC Tinsley and she works closely with the school to support any student or family.

Yours sincerely

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