Safeguarding Young People

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What is the legal definition of the age of a child?

Any person under the age of 18 years

What age can you legally have sex?

16 years old

What is the age of Criminal Responsibility?

10 Years of Age

Do you know the meaning of CONSENT?

- Consent means that both people in a sexual encounter must agree to it. Either person can change their mind at any time!!!!
- Consenting to kiss your boyfriend/girlfriend does not mean that you consent to having sex with them.
- Consenting on one occasion does not mean you consent to other occasions.
- If someone is drunk, on drugs, asleep or unconscious then that person cannot give consent. Having sex with this person would be an offence.
- · Age can also determine whether a person can legally consent.
- Having sex with someone under the age of 16 is legally considered a crime, even if the
 person under the age of consent says that she or he wanted the sex to take place.

"No" means "No"

CONSENT

Anyone fancy a cup of tea.....

It may help you all understand consent....

Who owns a smart phone?

Social Media Site's



Do's and Don'ts of Social Media

- Do keep all account settings to private
- Don't give out personal details
- Don't accept friend requests from people you don't know
- Remember once you post an image you have lost control of it
- Don't send images that you wouldn't want your parents to see!
- Remember that not everyone online is who they say they are
- Don't meet anyone you have met online

Indecent images

What is an indecent image?

 Sending, receiving or storing an indecent image of a child is illegal at any age.

Grooming & Exploitation

 Grooming is when someone builds an emotional connection with a child to gain their trust for the purpose of sexual abuse or exploitation.

 Grooming and sexual exploitation can occur through use of technology without you recognising it.

Sexual Exploitation

- Sexual exploitation is a type of sexual abuse.
- Young people in these situations receive something such as gifts, money or affection as a result of sexual activities
- Sexual exploitation is a hidden crime. Young people often trust their abuser and don't understand that they're being abused. They may depend on their abuser or be too scared to tell anyone what's happening.
- Sexual exploitation doesn't always involve physical contact and can happen online

Case Studies



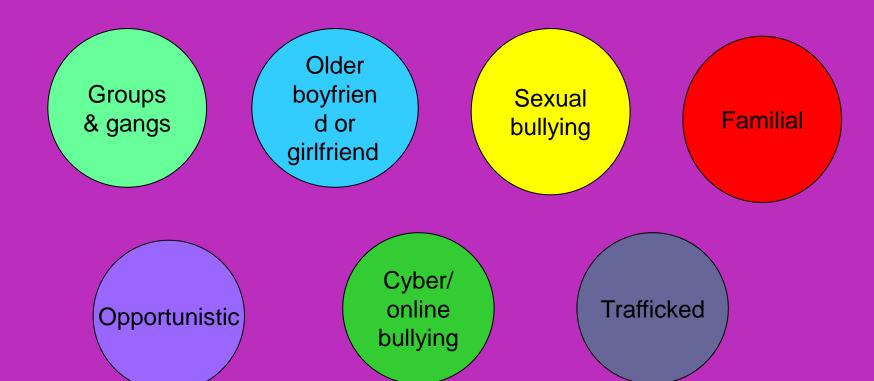
- Kayleigh Haywood aged 15
- She made friends with Luke Harlow on Facebook. Over the course of 2 weeks they exchanged 2643 messages. Harlow told her she was beautiful, how much he cared for her and that she was special.
- Harlow was grooming Kayleigh, along with 2 other girls he had also been speaking to. It was Kayleigh that agreed to his requests to spend the night at his house.
- Kayleigh was murdered by Luke Harlow after meeting with him at his home.

It doesn't just happen to girls...



- Breck Bednar, 14, was murdered by Lewis Daynes 18
- Daynes groomed Breck on an online gaming forum, playing games like Call of Duty. They talked for months online.
- He sent him a secret phone and isolated him from his friends and family
- Breck told his parents he was sleeping at a friend's house near their home, but secretly travelled to see Daynes.
- Daynes killed Breck.

Types Of Exploitation



Possible Signs of Sexual Exploitation

If you're worried that a child is being abused, watch out for any unusual behaviour;

Withdrawn - suddenly behaves differently – anxious – clingy – depressed – aggressive - problems sleeping - eating disorders - wets the bed - soils clothes - takes risks - misses school - changes in eating habits - obsessive behaviour – nightmares – drugs – alcohol - self-harm thoughts about suicide.

What to do if you suspect a friend, family member or young person maybe a victim of Child Sexual Exploitation

 Report this to someone you can trust- your teachers, parents or police.

Other useful numbers

NSPCC – 0808 800 5000

Child line – 0800 1111

Relate – 0300 100 1234

Say Something Help line – 116 000

Thank you

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