

SUMMER 2023



Child on Child Abuse

powrtogeto designed by Comberton Village College pupils on display in school.

These four winning posters were selected by our Pupil Focus Group earlier this year. The winning posters have been collated by our art department into one poster and feature around school to help raise awareness of Child-on-Child Abuse and encourage pupils to **REPORT** any unwanted behaviour.

The students who designed these wonderful posters have been acknowledged and congratulated for their efforts.

Remember, **REPORT** any unwanted behaviour to the pastoral teams, Tutor, Head of Year, or an adult in school. You can also email safeguarding@combertonvc.org or use the 'Concerned about a child' button on the website.



Anti-Social Behaviour

Summer is upon us with warmer & lighter evenings. Many young people may be wanting to spend more time out of the house socialising with friends. If this is the case, please think about your behaviour whilst out in the community and do not be pressured by anyone to do anything they're not happy about.

Before going out, tell your parents or carer:

- What you are planning to do?
- Where you are going?
- Who you going out with?
- What time, and how you will be getting home?

Think!

- Do NOT cause damage to property
- Do NOT put yourselves or others in danger

The police are encouraging us all to report concerns and observations www.cambs.police.uk. This "soft" intelligence does help to put a picture together of criminal activity within neighbourhoods and enables the police to use disruption tactics and possibly make arrests.



Water Safety



Having fun in the sun during the summer holidays often includes water, be it in a paddling pool, Lido, villa pool, lake, river or the sea. However, whilst it is refreshing to take a dip, staying safe is vital. Here are some tips to staying safe by the water.

Safety Tips

- Always read and comply with warning signs/notices
- Wear the correct personal floatation device: a life jacket or a buoyancy aid
- Tell people where you are going and go with a friend if you can
- Take a mobile phone or means of contacting others in a waterproof bag if possible
- Do not enter the water if you can't swim!!!
- Know how to best combat cold-water shock

Dangers of Open Water

- The water is often far deeper than people might think
- It's very cold, which can quickly cause cramp and breathing difficulties and cold-water shock
- It may contain hidden rubbish and debris, such as shopping trolleys and broken glass, which can cause injuries and lead to drowning
- It can be polluted which could lead to illness Cambridgeshire Fire and Rescue also offer a range of water safety messaging for children and young adults. Their aim is for water safety messaging to become embedded as children continue through their schooling. Please click here for information.

Student Support

If, over the Summer Holidays, you feel you need support, do visit the student support and wellbeing page on the website here. There are people ready to listen, help and support you. Do not struggle alone.

If a child is in immediate danger or at risk of harm, contact children's social care 0345 045 5203 (office hours) 01733 234 724 (out of hours), the police 101 or in an emergency 999.



