

19th January 2024

Principals Update

There has been a lot in the news recently regarding attendance to school, and the issues faced around the country with attendance. While we send out information each week regarding the statistics linked to the impact of days off, I am conscious that this can become wallpaper.

Attendance at Broadland High is above national averages, significantly so in Year 11, and while we are pleased that is the case, I want to re-emphasise why attendance is so important, as even with attendance above the national average we still had 62 students absent from school today; the equivalent of just over 2 tutor groups.

When a student misses a day of school, they miss 5 hours of learning which will not be taught again but which they may be examined on at some point. Crucially though, the missed learning makes it much harder for students to understand and apply what they are taught in lessons when they return as lessons are taught in sequences which rely on prior knowledge, but also have an impact on the opportunities and experiences available for them to access including at social times and in enrichment events. This is particularly true in Year 10 and 11 where higher levels of absence will have a large impact on students GCSE results.

We want all students to aim for full attendance, please contact your child's Head of Year or Pastoral and Progress Manager if you feel there is more that we can do to support you/ your child with their attendance.

Thank you to those of you that attended the Year 11 progress evening, all Y11 parents should have received information regarding the revision evening next Thursday separately. From Monday we will start to make prize draws for free prom tickets and tutor time chips based on study and revision each week in assembly!

From next week all students in Year 9 will have an options interview. The purpose of the interview is to discuss their preferences and attempt to make decisions about the choices that they will make for GCSE study. Students do not have to make their final choices in the meeting and will be able to adapt their options form between the meeting and deadline. I would really encourage you to discuss the options choices in advance of this interview, the more thought a student has given to their choices, the more useful the interview will be for them. All students should have brought their options booklet home after their assembly this week.

Have a good weekend!

Drama Update

Broadland on Broadway rehearsals for the full cast begin again on Wednesday 24th January. The cast were issued lyrics for the GREASE song "We Go Together" - please practice these lyrics and learn as much as possible for this date.

There are currently 5 timetabled LAMDA slots available for new students. Lessons are priced at £10 per 30-minute lesson and students can opt to work towards Graded Examinations. For more information regarding this please contact Mr J Howard (Head of Drama)



PE department notices

Clubs that are starting this term after school 3-4pm

Netball fixtures will all be on Tuesdays- attend netball club to get more information

Day	Club	Lead teacher
Tuesday	7&8 Girls Basketball	Mr Tregale
Wednesday	Girls indoor cricket 7-10	Miss King
Wednesday	Netball all years	Mrs Keel
Thursday	Hoopstars	Hoopstars (Ken) Mr Shreeve

- Remember to **sign up for clubs** on [Edulink](#) (all are 'new' new clubs for 2024)

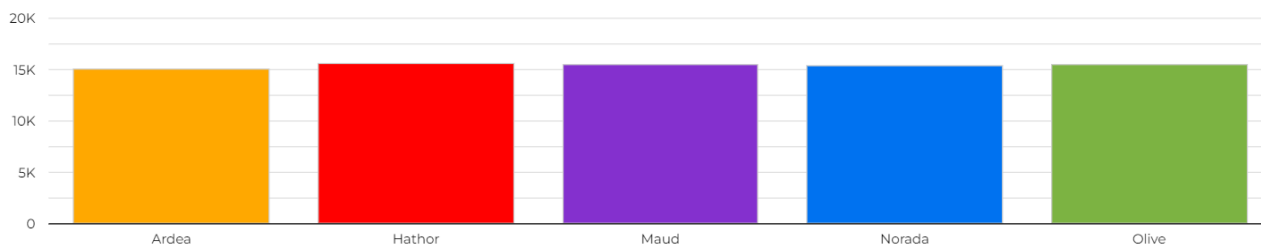
PE lessons

- Please remember your base layers
- Please also make sure you have trainers in school in case of any changes needed due to weather

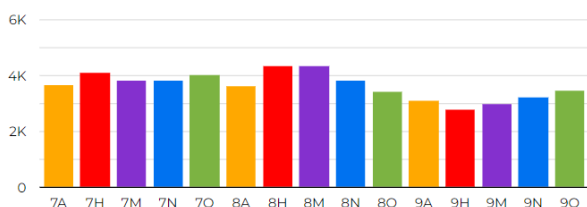
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Overall House Points

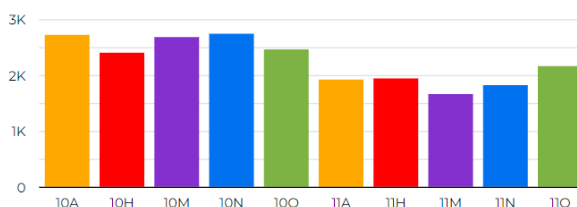
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Key Stage 3 Forms



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Tuesdays 6.10pm - 7.00pm at The Garage

Book your place here: <https://www.thegarage.org.uk/classes/>

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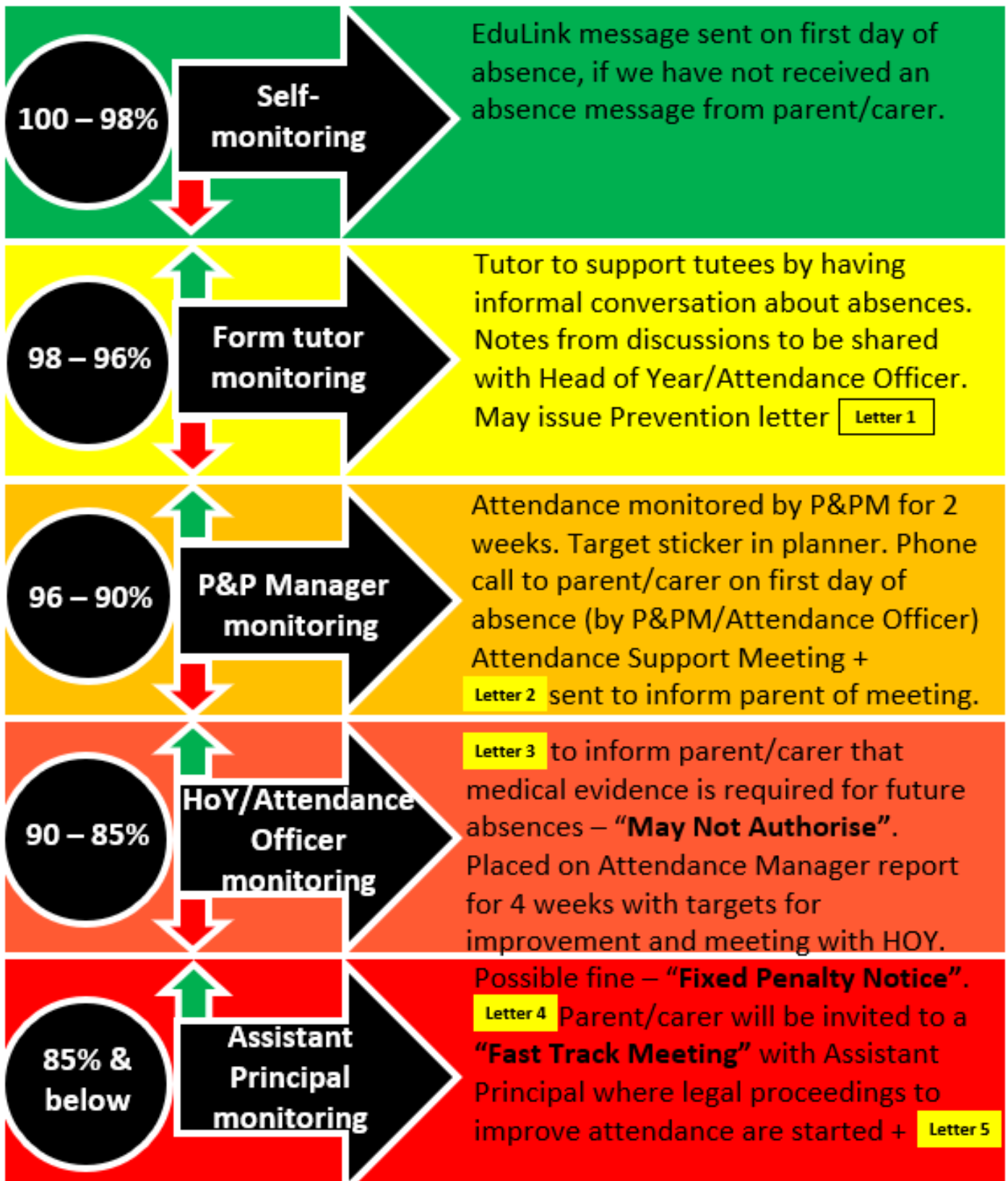
Norfolk County Youth Choir is a choir for young people from across Norfolk. Open to young people from Year 6 upwards; there is no audition required, it is free to attend, and all you need to join is a love of singing and a desire to improve your skills.

This is a great way to reconnect with live singing; a relaxed and welcoming space to explore music, performance and share the fantastic benefits of singing together.

The Choir is free to attend but booking is required.

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How our academy will support you with achieving excellent attendance!

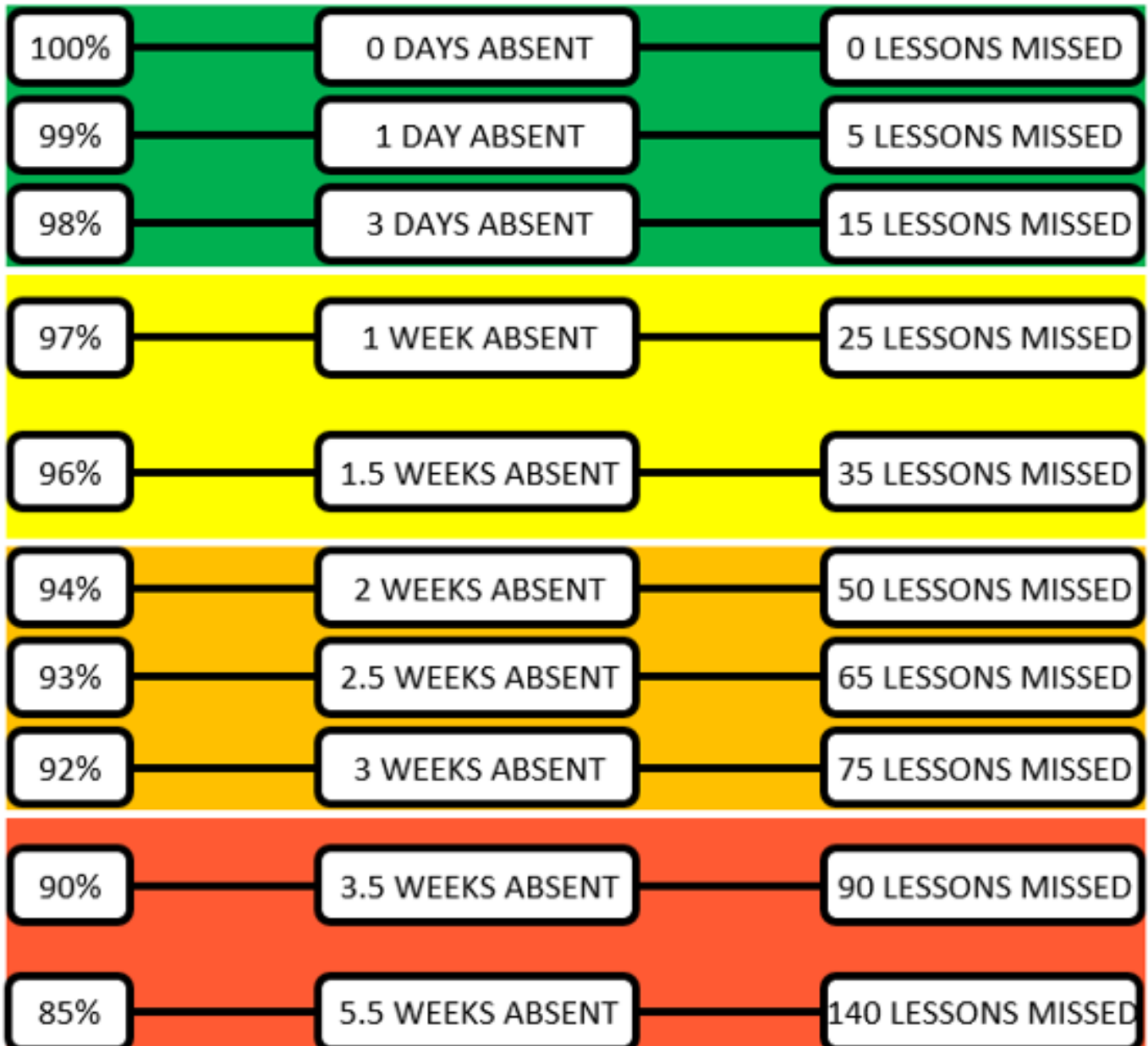


BROADLAND BULLETIN

Principal: Matthew Sprake
Vice Principal: Simon Laycock

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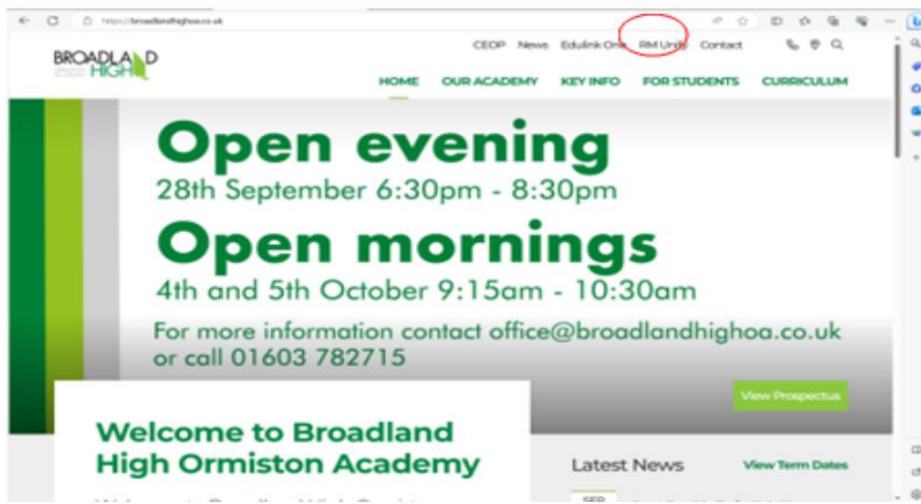


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ATTEND EVERY LESSON, EVERY DAY ON TIME.**

Accessing School Accounts From Home

How to access Teams, Office 365 and Outlook from home:

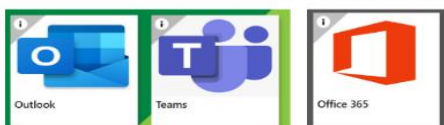
1. Go to the Broadland website.
2. Click the RM Unify button at the top of the page.



3. Sign in using student username and password:

Username: 23 followed by first letter of first name, then last name (**Example: 23aking**)

Password: The same password students use to log onto the computers at school



4. Click sign in and it will load up the Broadland RM Unify launch pad where you will find Teams, Outlook and Office 365.
5. To log into Outlook, use the same details used for logging into RM Unify. It may ask for your email address which is, your username followed by @broadlandhighoa.co.uk (**Example: 23aking@broadlandhighoa.co.uk**)



In keeping with our commitment to provide students with outstanding careers guidance and tailored support when choosing their next steps after school, Broadland will shortly be using Unifrog, an award-winning, online destinations platform. All students in all Years will have access to this website by the end of the academic year.

We will begin with Year 10 students to enable them to add work experience placements - we will send Y10 students and their parents further information about how to do this next week.

Students access the platform by clicking a link in their welcome email, which will also be sent to their school email address next week. They will then be able to create a password and can begin using the platform.

They will sign in to Unifrog using their academy email address and password and they can do so from any computer, tablet, or smartphone. We would encourage you to use the platform with your child so you can support them through the process of deciding their next step.

Unifrog is the universal destinations platform and is designed to support learners in making the most informed decisions about their futures and has a range of tools that are suitable for all year groups. Each student has their own account where they can explore all the career and next step options available to them and find information on everything from managing their workload to writing a winning CV. Students have access to a wide variety of video and written content, and interactive quizzes and tests, including:

Section of the platform	Examples of what students can do	Suitable age range
Quizzes	Finding their interests, personality type, preferred work environment, and skillset.	Years 7-11
Exploring pathways	Explore careers, career sectors, subjects, sign up to free webinars, explore MOOCs and courses, and find wider reading materials.	Years 7-11
Recording what you've done	Record their in-class and extracurricular activities, record examples of their skills, and see the record of CEIAG events the school has added to their accounts.	Years 7-11
Work experience placements	Record their work experience placement, keep track of its approval process, fill in a day today placement diary.	Year 10

What does your sparetime look like?



Flying, sports, target shooting, drill, adventure training, camping, fieldcraft, canoeing, archery, abseiling and more...
all whilst hanging out with new friends and having fun!

222 (Broadlands) Squadron Air Cadets

Monday and Friday evenings | 7–9.30pm

Broadland High Ormiston Academy

Are you
12 years old
and in Year 8?

Join us today!

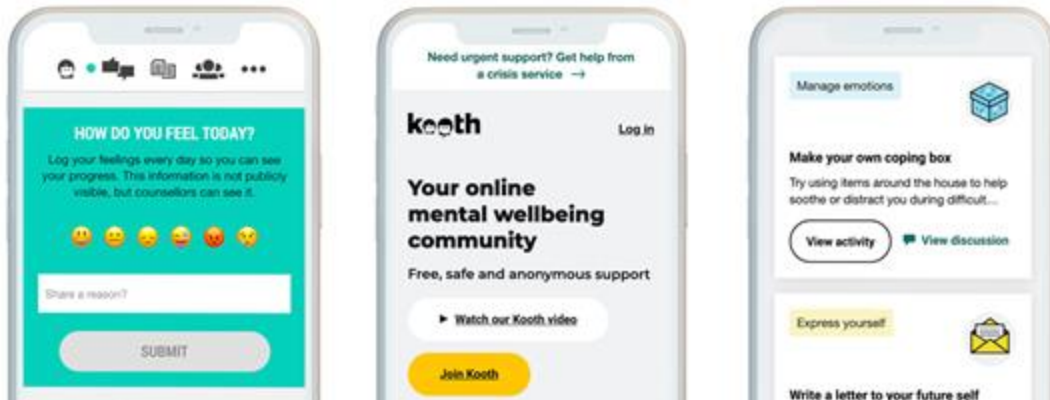
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or visit 222-atc.org.uk



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Kooth



Kooth is a web based confidential support service available to young people. Kooth provides a safe and secure means of accessing mental health and wellbeing support designed specifically for young people.

Kooth offers young people the opportunity to have a text-based conversation with a qualified counsellor. Counsellors are available from 12noon to 10pm on weekdays and 6pm to 10 pm at weekends, every day of the year on a drop-in basis. Young people can access regular booked online counselling sessions as needed. Outside counselling hours' young people can message our team and get support within 24 hours.

When students register with **Kooth** they will have support available to them now and in the future. Support can be gained not only through counselling but articles, forums and discussion boards. All content is age appropriate, clinically approved and fully moderated.

To find out more visit

www.Koothplc.com (adults)

www.kooth.com (young people)

where young people can register and others can find out more about the service.

You can also view a short video about the service at: <https://vimeo.com/318731977/a9f32c87de>.

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Safer Schools App

As part of OAT we have free access to the Safer Schools App. The Safer Schools App is an award-winning safeguarding resource, developed in partnership between Ineqe Safeguarding Group and Zurich Municipal, that helps entire school communities to better protect themselves in the digital world, through delivering contemporary and contextual safeguarding information to teachers, students, parents and carers.

Parents and carers have access to information on the popular social media platforms used by their children and their friends. They are also provided with an insight on critical issues such as bullying, sexting and gaming and are given easy to follow advice on how they can make their homes and the devices they give their children safer. Parents and carers can download the app and scan the QR code to the left or enter the code for our academy - 7675.

Students have access to age appropriate information, advice and guidance on keeping themselves safe online. Students can download the app and scan the QR code to the right or enter the code for our academy - 4898. If you have any questions or concerns about safeguarding please do not hesitate to contact one of the BHOA team.

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