

NEWSLETTER



Kingston and Richmond
Safeguarding Children
Partnership



Safeguarding children and young people: Faith Winter 2021

Welcome to the Autumn faith newsletter, as we continue with uncertain times, I would like to thank you all for the hard work you have all been doing with your faith communities. Safeguarding continues to be high on all our agendas. Wishing you all safe and healthy times, Happy Christmas, & Happy New Year.

Help us to keep all our children safe – please do share this information widely.

Festive season fun and party pitfalls (things to avoid)

Harm minimisation. Please share [this](#) information with families and young people about avoiding the pitfalls during the festive season

Our local festive season campaign messaging for young people aged 13 to 19 includes a focus on safer drinking, substance misuse, looking out for yourself and your friends when you're out, consent, and what to do if things don't quite go to plan. Kingston Public Health and Community Safety have worked with Project X and Richmond Public Health to produce key harm minimisation information on the SW London Getting it On (GIO) [Website](#)

FUEL information - support over Christmas break

The FUEL (Feed Ur Everyday Lives) programme, supporting children on benefits-related Free School Meals, will once again be running over the Christmas break. Please promote the programme and support your families who are entitled to free holiday activities and food to sign up this Christmas. See the attached flyer for more information.

<https://kr.afcinfo.org.uk/pages/community-information/information-and-advice/fuel-holiday-activities-and-food-programme>

Child protection in religious organisations and settings Investigation Report

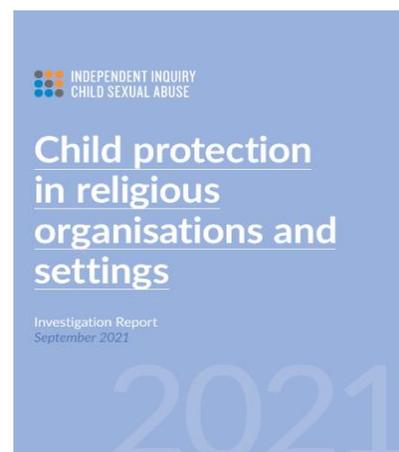
In September 2021, the Independent Inquiry into Child Sexual Abuse published its report, 'Child protection in religious organisations and settings'. The report examined evidence received from 38 religious organisations with a presence in England and Wales, with the figures provided to the Inquiry about **known** prevalence of child sexual abuse unlikely to reflect the full picture.

Religious organisations play a central and even dominant role in the lives of millions of children in England and Wales. The report highlights the blatant hypocrisy and moral failing of religions purporting to teach right from wrong and yet failing to prevent or respond to child sexual abuse. **Review your safeguarding practices**

'A child protection policy is the basic foundation on which organisations working with children should build their practices to keep children safe.'

'Safer recruitment practices are central to keeping children safe in any organisation.'

Are you confident you have the correct safeguarding culture to support everyone?



Read: here

<https://www.iicsa.org.uk/reports-recommendations/publications/investigation/cp-religious-organisations-settings>

Support for your families

With Citizen Advice Bureaux

For free debt support in any language, the CABs (Citizen Advice Bureaux) are the place to start: There are also lots of other matters they can help with too: housing, legal advice, immigration.

Kingston
CAB: <https://www.citizensadvicekingston.org.uk/>

Richmond
CAB: <https://www.citizensadvicekingston.org.uk/>

With families who may have an adult in prison

<https://www.barnardos.org.uk/what-we-do/helping-families/children-with-a-parent-in-prison>

<https://www.prisonadvice.org.uk/>

"Safe in Faith"

Learning Together Event

When : April 27 2022

Time: 9.30-12.30pm



We had a low number of sign-ups for our planned November event so we have rebooked to new date of April 27 with the theme of Online Safety from the NSPCC. Hear from the LADO and the front door services SPA

Set the date in your diaries and invite your volunteers and paid staff! for Free

Online counselling service for young people



young people aged 11-22 years with a free, safe and secure means of accessing support with their emotional health and wellbeing from a professional team of qualified counsellors. www.kooth.com

- **Please share with young people you know:** Kooth is a free online counselling and emotional wellbeing support service providing Kingston and Richmond

Domestic Violence information contact:

Kingston Domestic Violence Hub: 0208 547 6046

Richmond Outreach and IDVA Service: 020 8943 8188

Early Help Strategy- Early Help must be 'everyone's business'

The Partnerships Early Help Strategy was launched last year in November 2020

Effective Early Help ensures that families are supported **early** and in a timely way to help them make sustainable changes to their lives. The new strategy intends to have greater focus on partnership working and coordination of universal Early Help. Our approach seeks to empower communities and families, reduce the need for referrals to targeted services which can be disempowering and unsustainable. **Please share** the [Early Help Strategy](#) with your staff teams and volunteers,



Read and book in to one of the monthly Resilience Networks.

<https://kingstonandrichmondsafeguardingchildrenpartnership.org.uk/early-help/resilience-networks-283.php>



The **Forced Marriage Unit (FMU)**

leads on the government's forced marriage policy, outreach and casework, operating inside and outside the UK.

The FMU operates a public helpline to provide advice and support to victims and potential victims of forced marriage, and to professionals dealing with cases: 020 7008 0151 or fmufco.gov.uk.

Would you like to help to make a difference to keeping children safe in Kingston & Richmond children?

KRSCP are looking for enthusiastic volunteers to join the Kingston & Richmond Safeguarding Children Partnership as lay members from the Kingston community. If you are interested, please email or call

Email: lscb-support@kingrichlscb.org.uk

Phone: 07834 386459

Concerns around a child or young person

If you have any safeguarding concerns please make a referral to our Single Point of Access through using the following link [SPA referral form](#)

or contact **SPA on 020 8547 5008 or 020 8770 5000 (out of hours)**

In an emergency, you should always call 999



Your help is needed

In setting our Partnership priorities **2022-24**

Please use this is the link

<https://t.co/U0rdEvc8ug>

Partnership Conference 25th February 2022 *Morning session*

'Impact of parental mental health on children' Booking details in January



For support with any of the above please contact Tracey Welding

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How can I access KRSCP Training?

Visit:

<https://Kingstonandrichmondsafeguardingchildrenpartnership.org.uk/training.php>

