

Knife Crime Intervention

Knife Crime Intervention Unit 1 (year 5 Age 9-10)

This workshop lasts approximately 1hr 15 minutes and is delivered in an age-appropriate way. The session looks at how choices have consequences that can affect us, our future, friends, family, and the wider community. The session explores the risks of carrying knives, the consequences of being involved in Knife Crime and the laws around knife crime. We take the children through a 'story' of how a young person becomes involved in carrying a knife and explore each choice the character makes, and how this affects his life and the people around him. We discuss how young people can get help if they find themselves in this sort of situation. Each child receives a bookmark with information about where to get help if they need it.

Knife Crime Intervention Unit 2 (year 6 Age 10 - 11)

This workshop also lasts 1 hour 15 minutes and can be delivered as a stand-alone session but also builds on Unit 1. It starts with a quiz, which highlights the key messages needed to move forward in the session. We explore decision making through a practical activity and discuss various scenarios involving knives to clarify any misconceptions. Peer pressure is also a focus, exploring how and why this can affect decision making and outcomes, whilst also sharing strategies for staying safe.

The session introduces the meaning of 'joint enterprise' and explores this theme through a film narrated by a young person who received a jail sentence for being a bystander in a stabbing. Each child receives a bookmark with information about where to get help if they need it.

Feedback from Teachers -

'A clear and friendly approach to a difficult topic. There was a lot of interaction and conversation.'

"The content was appropriate for the year group and was delivered in an excellent manner so that the children were not scared, but they felt comfortable to listen, answer and ask questions. A challenging topic that was well presented.'

'An engaging session which had a big impact.'

'It really helped children realise the potential impact of one decision.'

'A brilliant and valuable lesson.'

PSHE Association Curriculum coverage

- H38, H41, H44
- R11, R18, R27, R28, R29, R30
- L1

