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1st March 2022

Dear Parents and Carers,

Re: Lucy Faithfull Foundation Webinar

You may be aware of the review conducted by Ofsted nationally into peer-on-peer sexual abuse and harassment within schools, in light of some of the testimonials posted on the 'Everyone's Invited' website in March 2021.

Over the past year, Kelvin Hall School and the Thrive Trust have reviewed the procedures we have in place to tackle such incidents and to support the victims sensitively. However, as is always the case in the fast-moving context of safeguarding young people, there are things that we can learn from such reviews.

One area that we feel will be of real benefit to our young people and our community, is to support parents in developing an understanding of the context of the concerns raised by the report and what parents can do, along with school, to remain vigilant for signs of concern and to support young people who have experienced abuse or harassment.

As part of our continued work to safeguard young people, we are pleased to announce that we have secured the support of **The Lucy Faithfull Foundation** (www.lucyfaithfull.org.uk), a charity that is dedicated to tackling child sexual harassment and abuse, in leading an online parent/carer webinar on the **10th March 2022 (6 PM – 7 PM)**.

The webinar next week will:

- explore the differences between appropriate, inappropriate, problematic and harmful sexual behaviour in young people
- increase knowledge of young people's use of technology and the internet;
- increase confidence in talking about sex, pornography and internet safety;
- raise parents' awareness of the 'Everyone's Invited' debate and what is useful for them to know and consider as parents;
- look at key findings from the June 2021 Ofsted review of schools regarding harmful sexual behaviour in schools and college;
- consider how to respond to any concerns;
- provide an opportunity to ask questions with a Lucy Faithfull Foundation practitioner.

Please see the attached flyer for more information on the foundation and presenter.

There is no need to book a place, please log on to the webinar on the **10th March 2022 at 6 PM using the following link.**

- **Join Zoom Meeting:** <https://tinyurl.com/lucyfaithfull-webinar>
- **Meeting ID: 859 6767 8674 - Passcode: 340318**
- **Topic: Preventing Harmful Sexual Behaviour - KHS**
- **Time: Mar 10, 2022, 6 PM**

We do hope you will be able to attend the webinar next week. If you have any questions, please contact us through the school reception, 01482 342229.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs C. Grandidge
Deputy Headteacher and Designated Safeguarding Lead





Parental Webinars

Regarding peer related harmful sexual behaviours

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10th March 2022 6pm to 7pm via Zoom

Your trainer will be

Laura Nott, Schools Project Manager, The Lucy Faithfull Foundation

Laura qualified as a probation officer in 2003, working in the West Midlands area. In 2007 she was seconded to a local charity to create a therapeutic group work programme for young men (aged 11 – 16 years) who had witnessed domestic abuse. The six month secondment developed into a 7 year project and she worked with over 250 boys and families, helping them to understand what healthy relationships look like and reduce their risk of becoming abusers in the future.

Next, Laura led a number of voluntary sector projects, including managing a young people's counselling and wellbeing service, an anti-poverty charity and developing a network of cancer support hubs across the West Midlands. She also set up her own training and consultancy business, training teachers, social workers and police officers in protective behaviours, safeguarding and family therapy.

Laura now leads LFF's multidisciplinary Schools team, who have expertise in assessing and working with young people displaying harmful sexual behaviour. She is working with researchers from the University of Surrey to gather evidence of what works to help schools respond to and prevent harmful sexual behaviour and the learning from this work will be shared with all schools across the UK.

