



Sefton Schools say #kNOwKnifeCrime –

Dear Parent,

We want to keep our community safe and be well resourced in the event someone needs medical assistance. As a school we are always looking for opportunities and ways to educate our pupils on how to keep themselves safe.

We are teaming up with #kNOwKnifeCrime campaign and London Marathon 2024 and we will be fundraising for bleeding control kits and cabinets for outside our schools in Sefton.

Nursery to Year 6 pupils running a Mini marathon

After the Easter Break we will be holding a mini marathon event in our school the week of 15th April 2024 where all pupils will participate in travelling 2.6 miles in our school grounds.

For participating in this event all children will receive a London mini marathon certificate and our school will receive a trophy.

Next week we will be having an assembly about how our mini marathon run will fundraise for a bleed control kit cabinet outside our school. Younger pupils will focus on important lifesaving facts of how a bleed control kit can keep someone alive whilst waiting for medical assistance. It will also focus on keeping healthy and achieving ambitions goals by setting ourselves the mini marathon challenge.

Pupils in Year 5 and Year 6 will be having a virtual assembly from the #kNOwKnifeCrime campaigner Laura Hughes (who established in Memory of Colin McGinty) a -kNOwKnifeCrime initiative to educate young people on the wider lasting impact of knife crime.

The assembly will be age appropriate and help children to consider the choices they have. As part of our safeguarding work, we need to educate our pupils on the dangers they may be exposed to. The purpose of the fundraiser is not to scare or worry our community but to raise awareness of the possible risks and raise money to purchase bleeding control kits for our local community.

On **Wednesday 17th April** some pupils will be participating in a relay event where they will be handed the 'bleed control kit baton' from Our Lady Star of the Sea Primary School pupils and then run from Rimrose Hope to English Martyrs passing on

a 'bleed control kit' to show how we are working as a local network of schools to keep our community safe.

The relay race will start 8:45 am from English Martyrs School and wend its way through 20 other schools until it arrives at Rimrose Hope at 2:40pm in time for us to carry the baton on the final leg to English Martyrs School for 3:00pm.

If your child is running in the event on 17th April, you will receive a further letter before we break up for Easter. All children in Year 5 and Year 6 will be supporting the event in some way, should they not be part of the running relay group.

There are 84 schools in Sefton participating in this event which is set to be covered by the media.

To support the campaign, a fundraising link will be sent to parents/carers prior to the event to sponsor the children for the Mini Marathon and the pupils representing our school during the #kNOwKnifeCrime campaign relay.

Yours sincerely

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