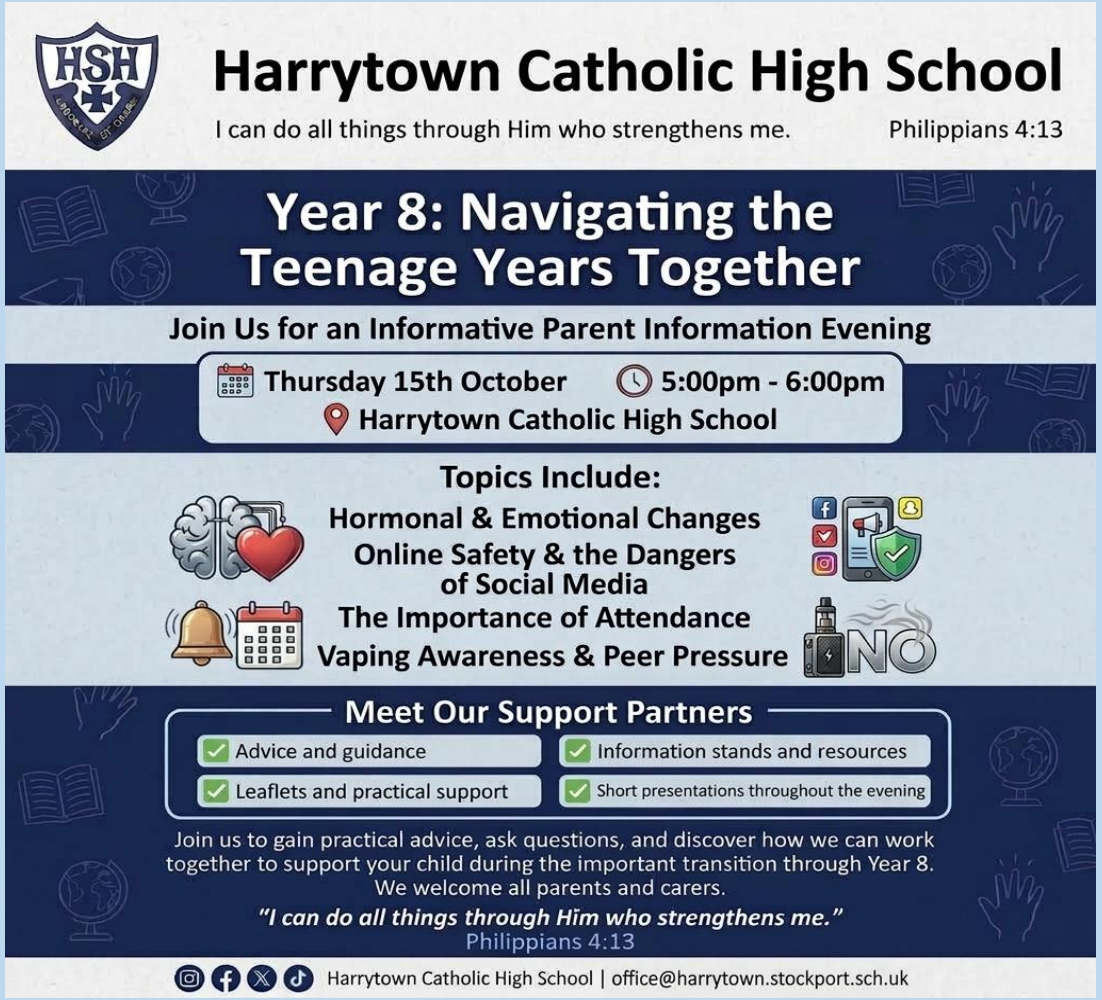
Welcome to

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Our collective aim – you and us.

- Support each child through their journey through Harrytown.
- Help, guide and prepare each child for life (after Harrytown).
- Develop each child:
  - Academically,
  - Creatively,
  - Physically,
  - Intellectually,
  - Socially and / or
  - Emotionally,
  - Spiritually.

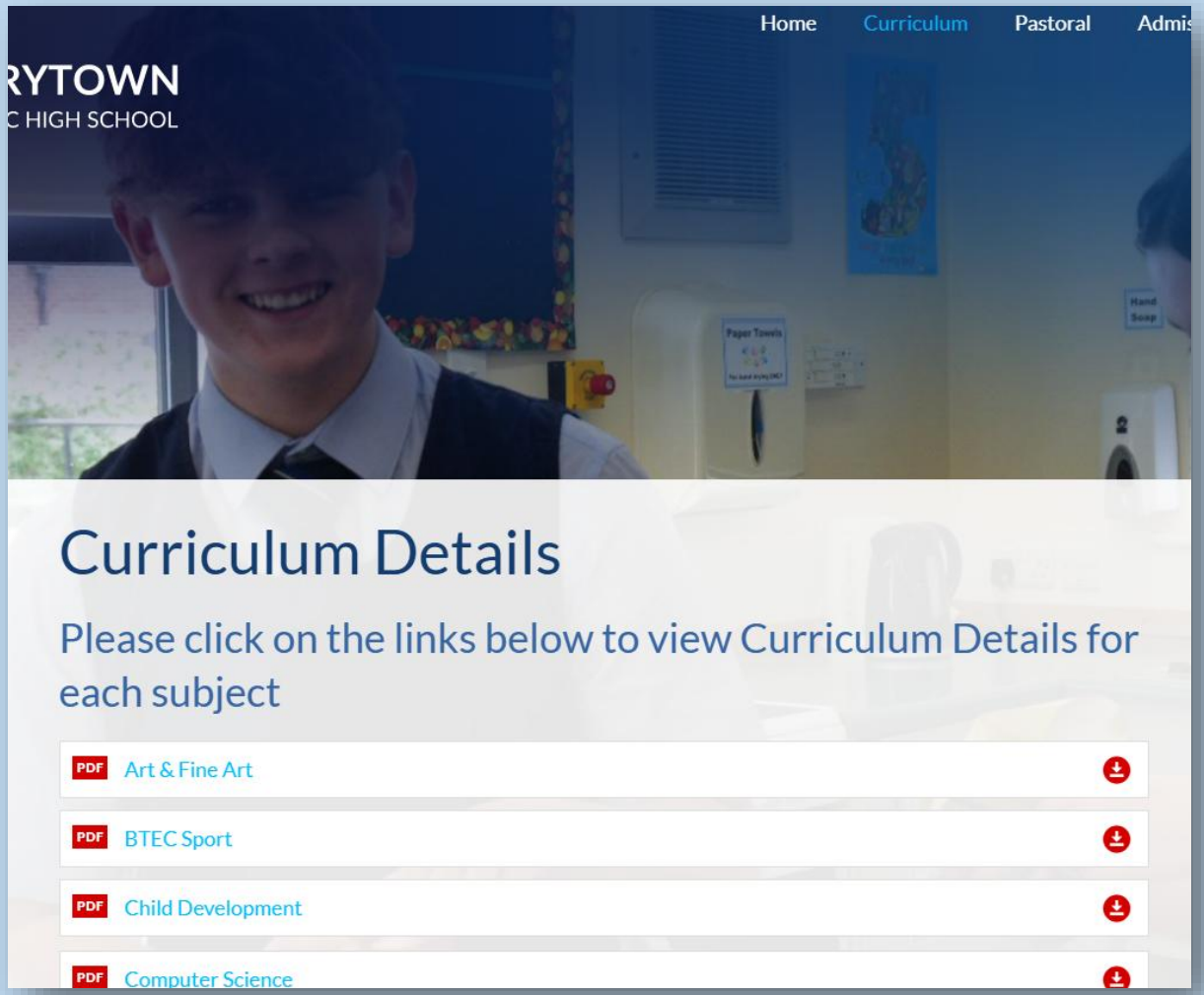


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Details of what is covered in each **curriculum** area can be found on the school website:

- **Year 8 is part of Key Stage 3.**
- **Key Stage 3 offers a foundation for GCSE-level study.**
- Personal Development has been re-vamped in recent years.
- *HarrytownExtra* offers a wide variety of additional experiences.



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Strategies to support study and good routines at home:

- Set daily routines – wake-up, eating and bedtimes – for weekdays and weekends.
- Clearly outline homework completion expectations.
- Limit screen times, especially before bedtime.
- Parental controls, where possible, on devices.

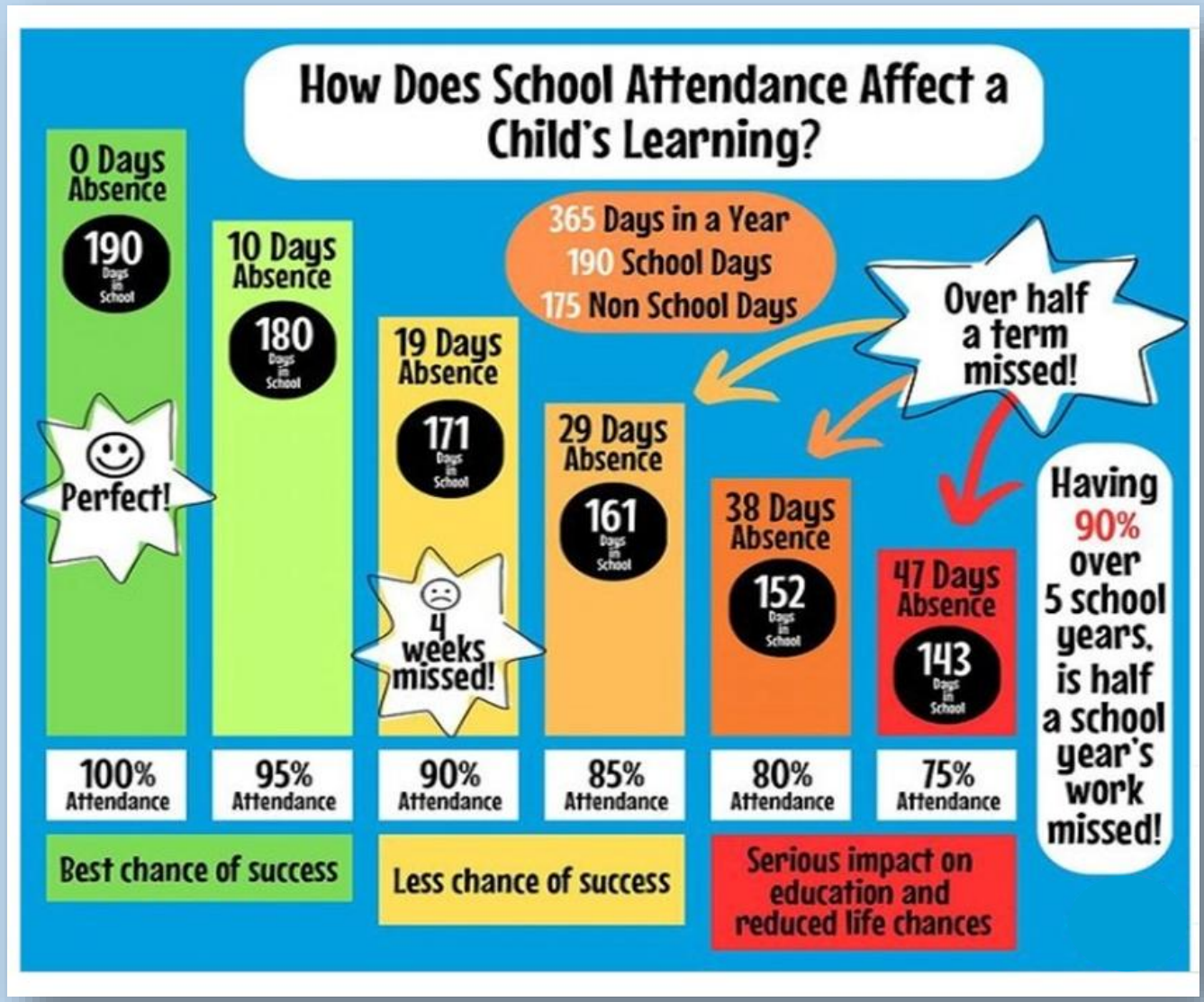
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Good Attendance Matters

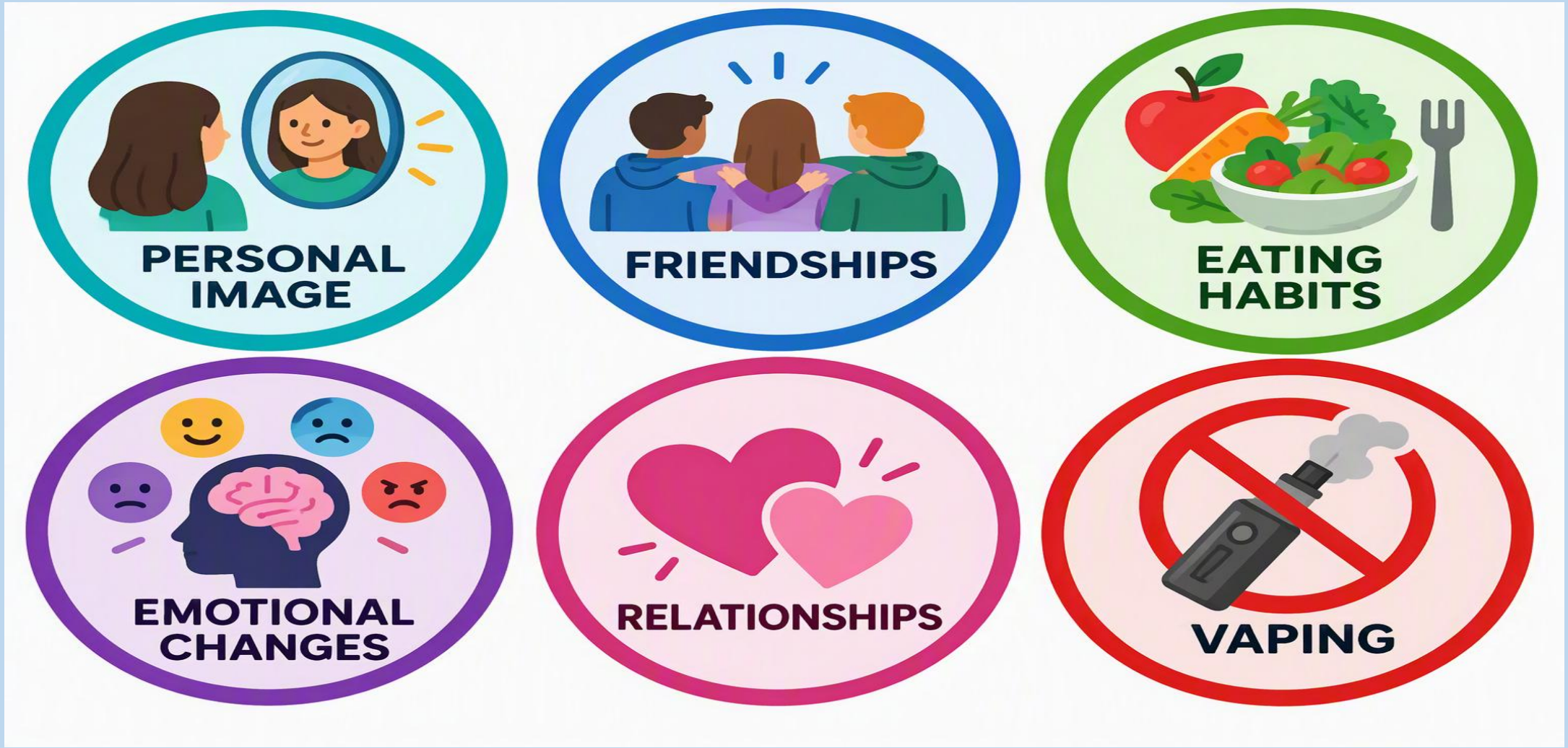
Our aim: **96%** (7½ days max.) attendance or better – to pupils them be successful. Why?

- Good attendance (and punctuality) helps to ensure the best possible outcomes.
- Every pupil has the right to access the education to which they are entitled.
- Good attendance at school supports pupil's wellbeing and sense of belonging, and academic outcomes.
- Research and statistics show a direct link between achievement and absence below 95%
- Regular school attenders make better progress, both socially and academically.
- Regular attenders find school routines, schoolwork, and friendships easier to cope with.
- They find learning more satisfying and are more successful in making the transition to the next phase in school life.



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Challenges Ahead



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Challenges Faced Online (and offline)

Social media (age 13*) has become an important part of teenage life — a space for connection, creativity, and self-expression.

But it can also pose risks. As parents and carers, your guidance helps young people use social networks responsibly and confidently. Please see our Parental Guide.

Some national data on issues with technology (in particular):

62% of 8–17-year-olds know how to keep personal information safe.

63% of 8–17-year-olds have seen harmful content online.

79% of 3–17-year-olds have a social media profile, with 16% including a public photo.

Parents of 70% of 13–17-year-olds say it is difficult to manage screen time.

Online gaming: 74% of children say they play online with someone they know, while 32% report playing with strangers.

62% of parents worry about their children talking to strangers while gaming.

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Recommendations for ‘Creating Family Rules for Using Devices’:

1. Work together.
2. Agree time limits and suitable times.
3. Encourage honesty.
4. Charging & overnight storage.
5. Review rules regularly.
6. Protect personal information*.
7. Be respectful.
8. ‘No tech’ zones.
9. Agree on consequences.
10. Know all passwords



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Stockport Online Safety Hub

The Stockport Online Safety Hub offers information and advice for families and professionals. The hub is free to use and has an extensive library of advice and information including:

- Online bullying
- Screen time guides
- Individual app guides and advice on gaming.

Articles and guides are kept up to date, reacting to changes in the technological world and the most prevalent issues facing families and children

https://stockport.onlinesafetyhub.uk/

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Invited Agencies

ONESTOCKPORT Family Hubs

R-TIME YOUTH STOCKPORT

EMPOWERING PARENTS EMPOWERING COMMUNITIES Stockport

SignPost FOR CARERS

Healthy STOCKPORT

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ONESTOCKPORT Family Hubs

Offering Parents Practical Help

Start Well, Live Well and Thrive

Stockport Family Hubs App



The Library has over 2000 evidence based, child development checked articles.

Easy to follow bullet points

Videos

Links to NHS, NSPCC, Experts

Age related sections – From conception through to teenager and SEND

An individual profile of relevant info for your child.

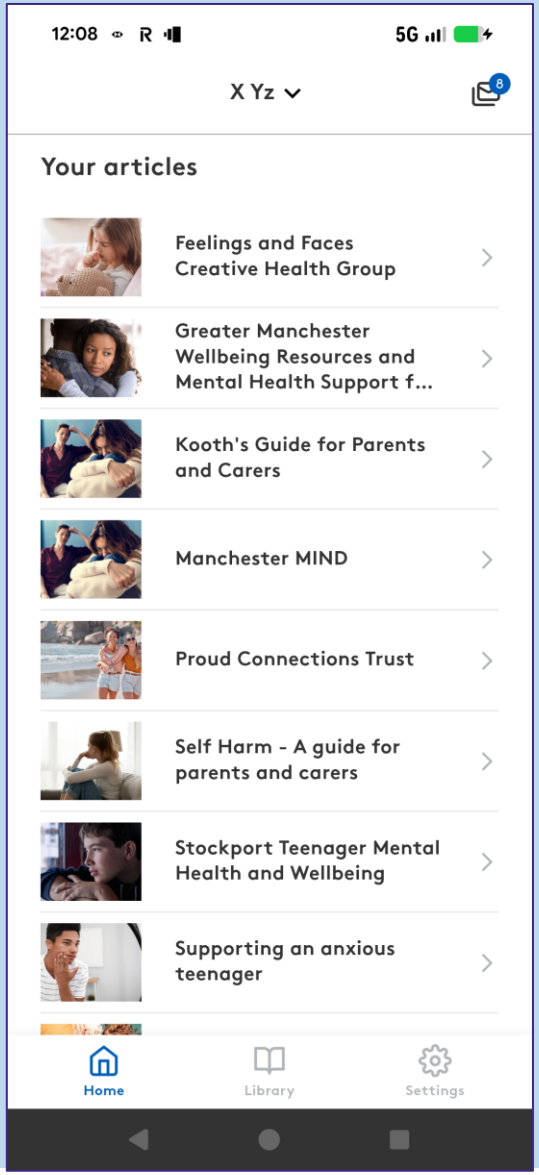
Articles and notification sent directly to your inbox based on postcode and demographics

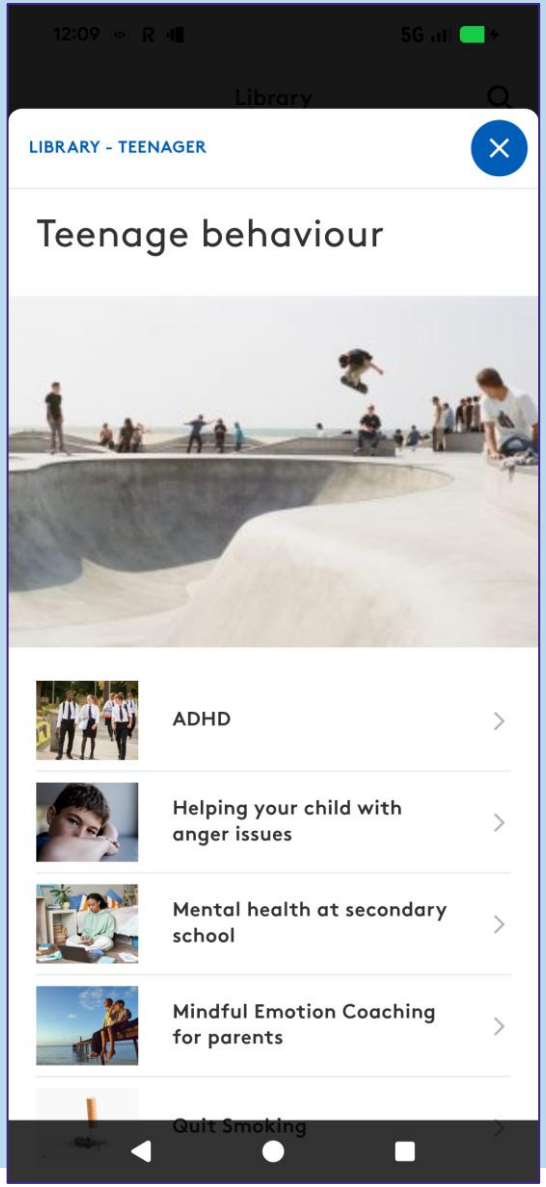
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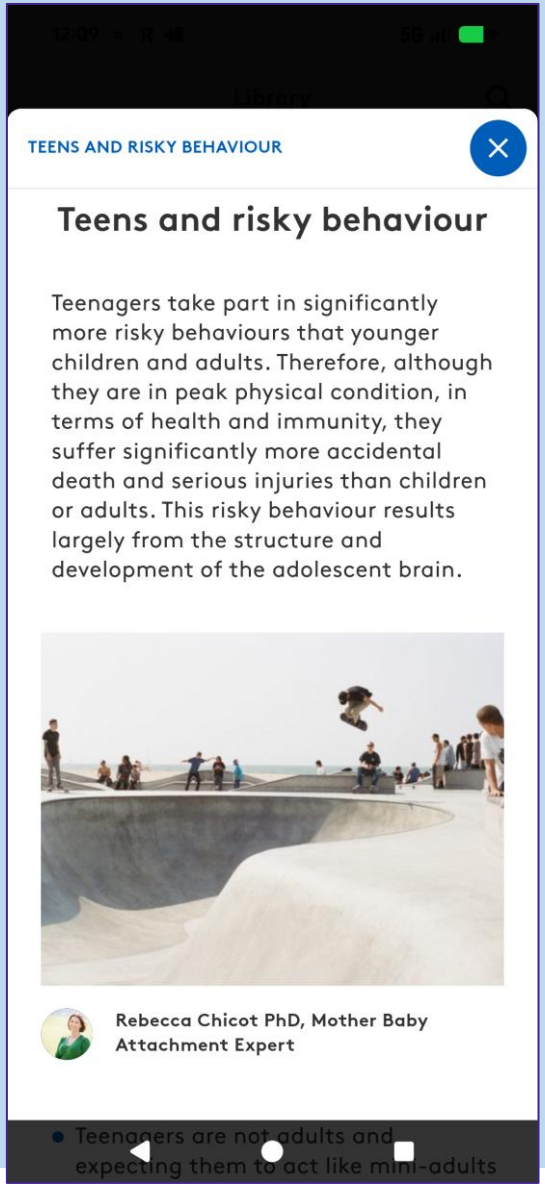
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Share function

Its FREE







Tips on –

- Stages of Puberty
- Emotional wellbeing
- Relationships with Peers
- What is normal behaviour?
- Alcohol and Drugs
- Online Safety
- Teens and SEND
- Mental Health
- How to talk to your Teen
- Boundary pushing
- Risk taking behaviour
- Health issues
- Acne
- Sex and how to talk about it
- Setting boundaries

Togetherness

- Free online Resource
- No referral needed
- Help Navigate the teenage years





- Understanding your feelings – For Teenagers only!
- Understanding your Teenagers brain
- Emotional health in teenagers explained
- Risk Taking
- Sleep

Welcome to EPEC, Empowering Parents, Empowering Communities



- Local parents are **trained and supported as Parent Group Leaders** to deliver courses in their own communities
- Combines **research-based parenting strategies** with the power of **peer support and lived experience**
- Proven to **improve parenting confidence, family relationships, and children's wellbeing**

What's on offer...

Baby and Us – for first time parents and carers of babies under 6 months

Being a parent – for parents/carers of 2-11 year olds

Living with Teenagers – for parents and carers of 11-16 year olds

And more!





QR Codes to Help You as a Parent!

App download

Togetherness

Interested in EPEC?

Mosaic
Young People's Drug and Alcohol Service

Supporting young people up to age 26, families, and those affected by parental substance use.

What We Offer

- 1:1 support and assessments
- Drug & alcohol education
- Harm reduction and safety planning
- Motivational work and recovery support
- Family support
- School-based interventions
- Clinical support including access to nurse/doctor where needed

Who Can Be Referred?

- Young people under 26 living in Stockport
- Looked After Children linked to Stockport
- Young people affected by their own substance use
- Young people affected by parental/caregiver substance use
- Parents/carers seeking advice and support

How to Refer

1. Discuss referral with the young person- consent needed
2. Complete the Mosaic referral form/self-referral online
3. Include key concerns, risks and contact details
4. Mosaic will screen and allocate appropriately
5. Support can be delivered in school, home or in the community

Contact & Key Messages

Early intervention works. Please refer whenever substance use or the impact of a loved ones substance use is a concern.

- Tel: 0161 218 1100
- Email: mosaic@stockport.gov.uk
- Referral information: healthystockport.co.uk

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Police Inputs

Social Media

Do you know the age restrictions for any social media?



AskFm
Clubhouse
Discord
Facebook
Habbo
Kik
MySpace
Reddit
Snapchat
TikTok
Twitch
Whisper
Wink
X (Twitter)
YouNow
YouTube
Yubo
st gram

13+
with parental permission



LinkedIn
Tumblr
Vimeo
WhatsApp

16+



Live.Me
MeetMe
Monkey
Tagged

18+

There are a range of risks online for our children:

RISK 1

Seeing things they don't like

RISK 2

Staying awake at night on their device

RISK 3

Talking to a stranger

RISK 4

Children can be pressured to do things

RISK 5

Being bullied or harassed

RISK 6

Fake news and AI images

RISK 7

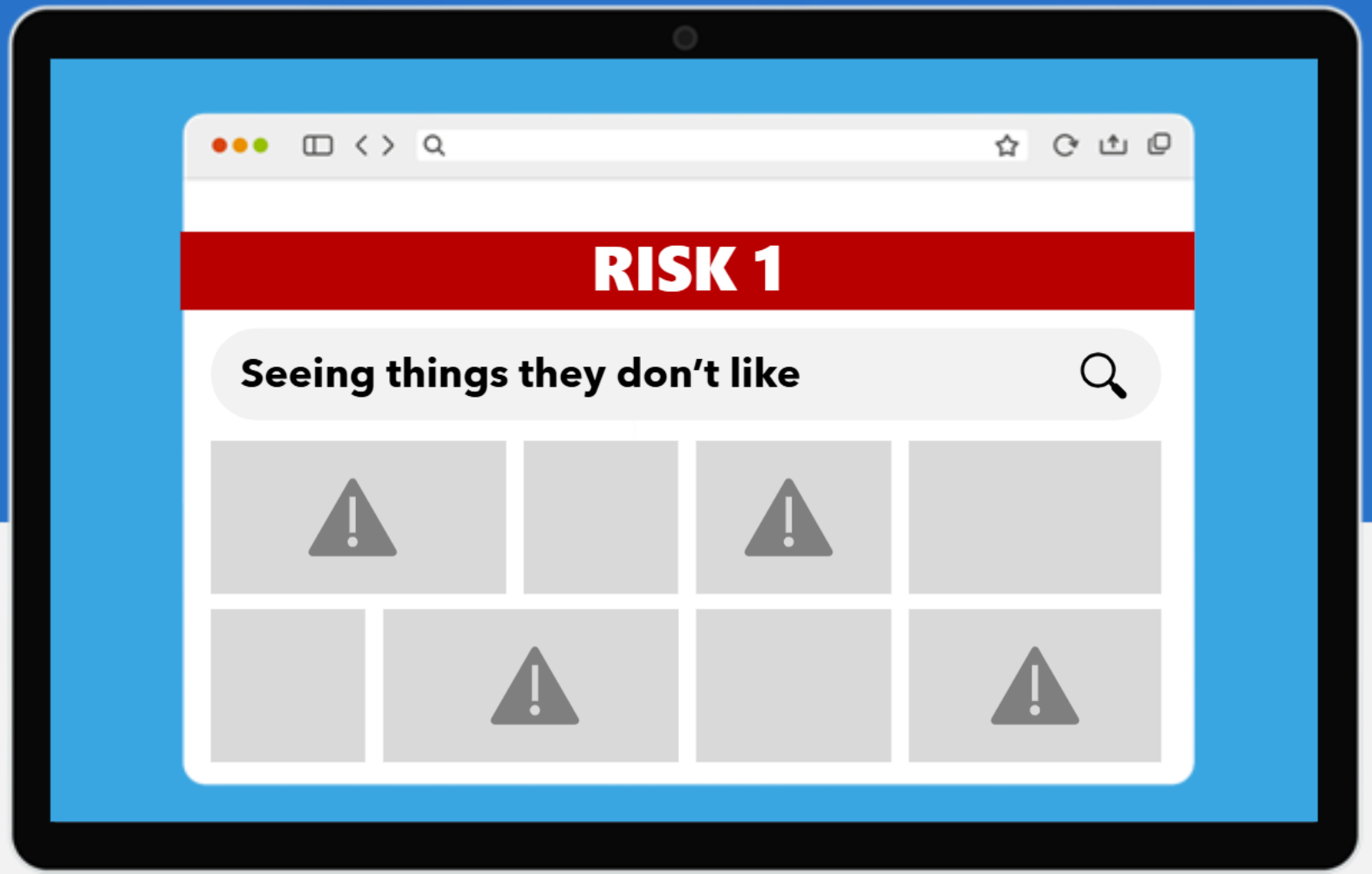
Spending or losing money

RISK 8

Buying drugs online

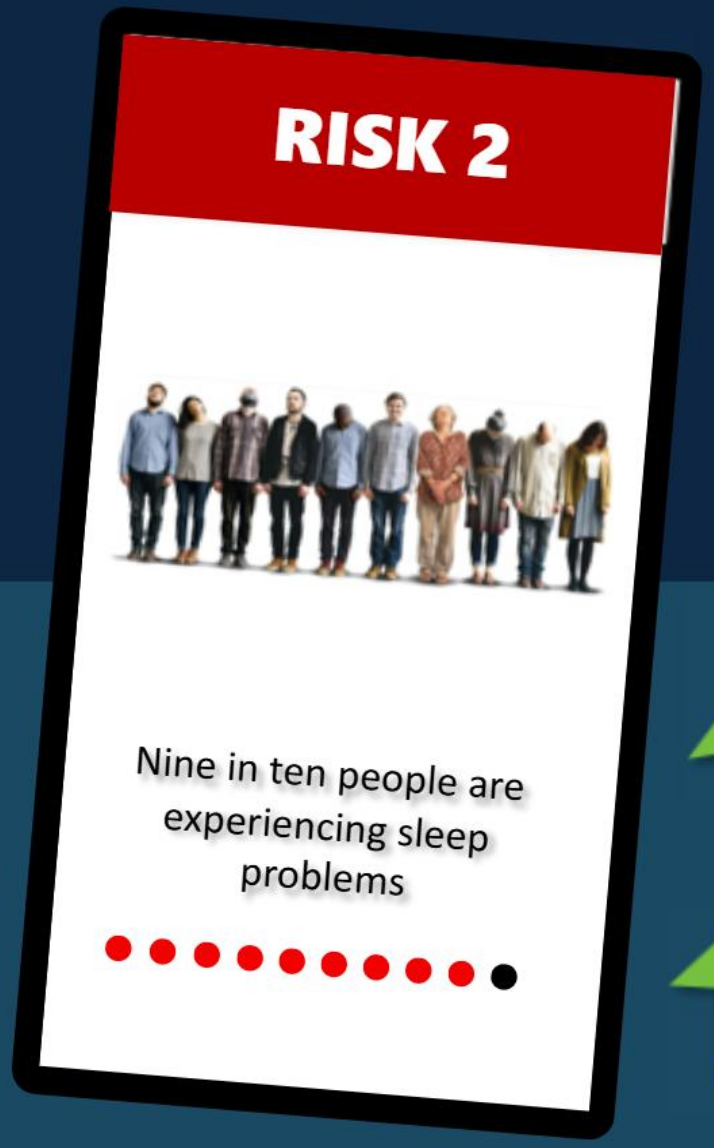
RISK 1

Seeing things they don’t like



RISK 2

They often lie awake at night on their device.



Easily distracted

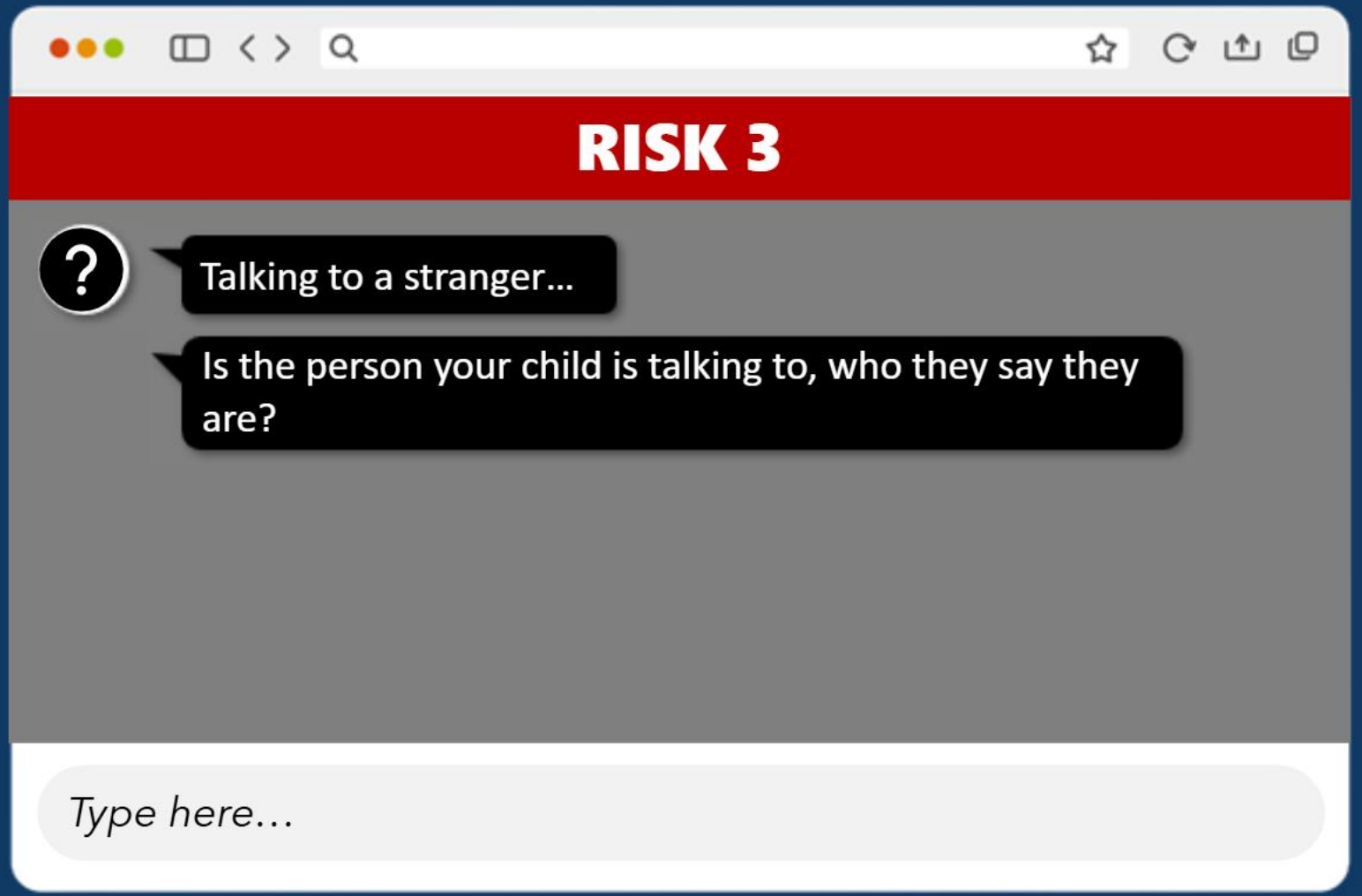
Less patience

More likely to get ill

Memory problems

RISK 3

Talking to a stranger



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HIERARCHY OF NEEDS



Self-actualization

Unlocking potential: creativity, morality, purpose, meaning

Esteem needs

Respect from others, confidence, achievement, uniqueness

Belonging

Friendship, family, intimacy, love, sense of connection

Safety needs

Security, health, property, future, possibilities

Physiological

Food, water, breathing, sleep, warmth, shelter

RISK 4

Children can be pressured to do things

- Challenges
- Fake social ‘norms’
- High expectations
- Providing images
- Receiving a parcel
- Filming dares including self harm or even suicide
- Taking risks
- Revealing information



COUNTER TERRORISM POLICING

NCA
National Crime Agency

NPCC
National Police Chiefs' Council

Sending photos – the law

Section 127 of the Communications Act 2003 makes it an offence to make improper use of a public electronic communications network. Improper - grossly offensive, indecent, obscene, menacing or annoying phone calls and emails.

The Sexual Offences Act 2003, s66 (a) states that it is an offence where someone intentionally sends or gives someone else a photograph or film of anybody's genitals if they do so either with the intention of that person seeing it and being caused alarm, distress or humiliation; or for the purpose of their own sexual gratification and being reckless about whether it will cause alarm, distress or humiliation.



Consequences

What is the maximum time in prison for possessing an indecent image of a child?

5 years

What is the maximum time in prison for distributing an image?

10 years

What is the maximum time in prison for producing an indecent image of a child?

10 years



RISK 5

People saying unkind things.
Being bullied, trolled, stalked, harassed.



RISK 6

Fake news or AI images



I saw a picture that really upset me, but then I found out it was AI.

Always be ‘sceptical’ and question what you see, even if it REALLY seems correct or from a genuine source.

Use AI and internet searches to help verify.

Try testing yourself – can you find fake news? Be a detective and see if you can spot any. It is ALL around.

RISK 7

Spending or losing money



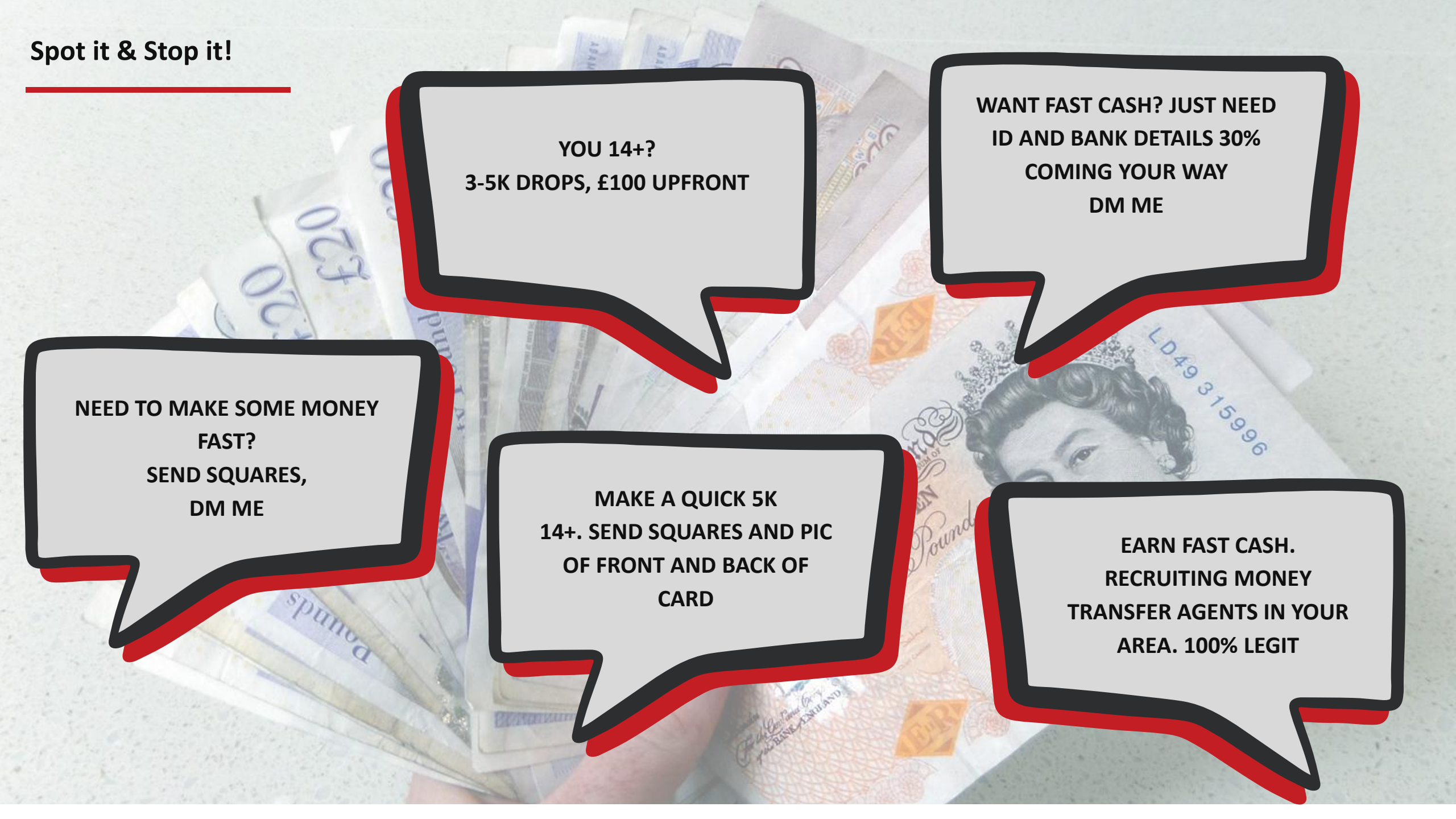
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You could be helping a criminal



"… Someone who transfers stolen cash between bank accounts or withdraws it at the request of criminals, in exchange for a profit…"

Spot it & Stop it!

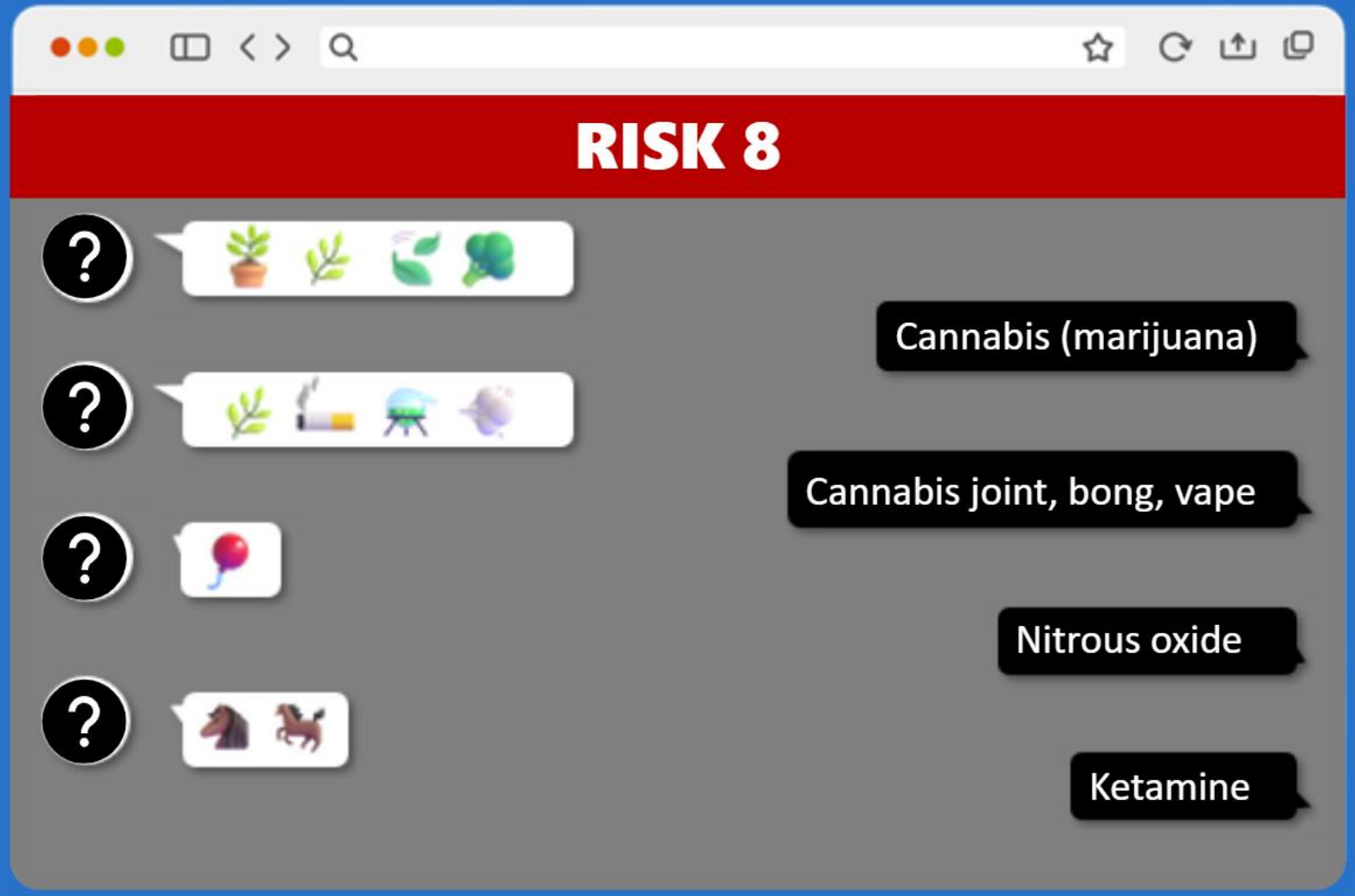


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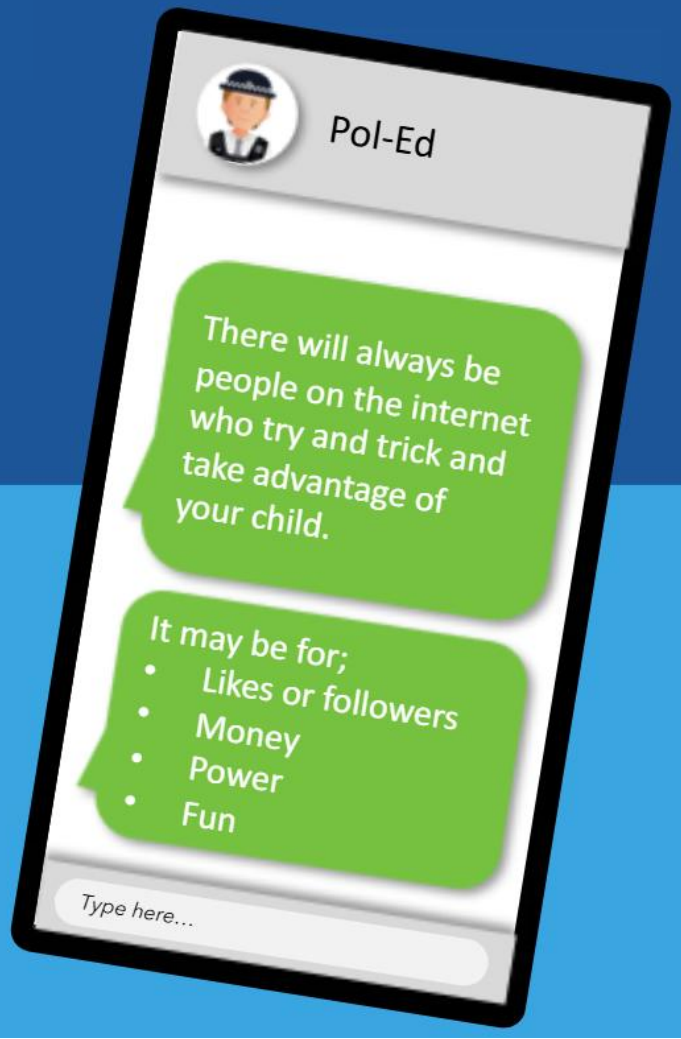
- Bank account may be closed
- CIFAS marker applied
- Difficulty obtaining credit
- Withdrawn college/educational placement
- Loss of employment
- Restrictions on travel to other countries
- Threats and acts of violence
- Criminal record - max sentence for money laundering is 14yrs imprisonment

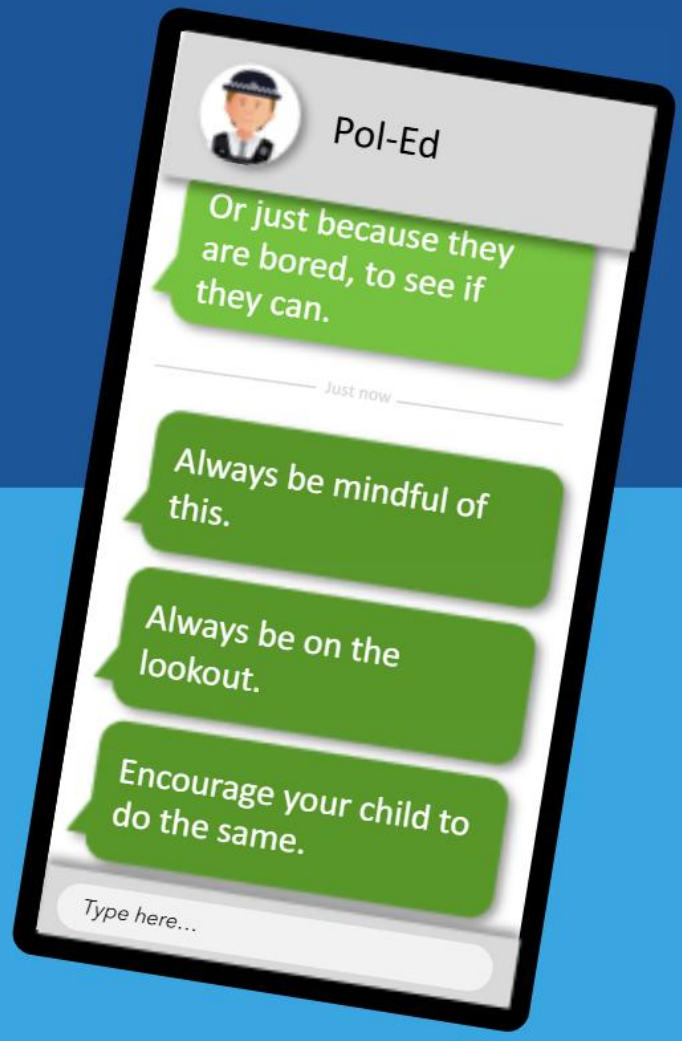
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Things to be aware of





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Check who your child is talking to.

If your child is being bullied get them to:

- Block and avoid accounts or people who are saying unkind things.
- Use online reporting systems.
- Tell a trusted adult.
- Report illegal activity to the police.

Help them understand the extent of fraud and crime online.

Develop self awareness and self observation

If they have new items, ask where they have come from.

Divert their feed, and how they feel, by viewing more positive items.

Educate them on how this impacts their health.

Report, block, unfollow the creator.

Balance screen and offline time.

How to report or get support

www.ceop.police.uk

Nude image of you online? We can help take it down.

0800 555 111

or online at any time.

0800 1111

For support, contact Childline.

Further info & Guidence

All fraud and cyber crimes should be reported to Report Fraud at
www.reportfraud.police.uk or by calling
0300 123 2040

reportharmfulcontent.com

You can also find more info and advice on the following websites:

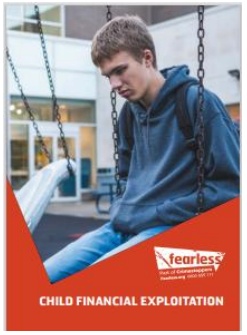
www.nationalcrimeagency.gov.uk/moneymuling

stopthinkfraud.campaign.gov.uk

www.moneymules.co.uk

www.reportfraud.police.uk

www.victimsupport.org.uk



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Reporting

CALL YOUR LOCAL POLICE

101

IN AN EMERGENCY ALWAYS CALL 999

fearless

Part of Crimestoppers

0800 555 111

or online at any time.

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Any questions or comments?

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We hope you have found this useful.

Please feel free to attend the pop-up stalls at the rear of the hall for further information.

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