



**Sefton Schools say #kNOwKnifeCrime - We want to keep our community safe and be well resourced in the event someone needs medical assistance.**

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Dear Parents

As a school we are always looking for opportunities and ways to educate our pupils on how to keep themselves safe. We have decided to team 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.

**Reception to Year 6 pupils – Mini marathon**

We will be having a mini marathon event in our school the week of 15th April 2024 where all pupils will participate in running 2.6 miles. 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 an 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 representative pupils will be participating in a relay event where they will be handed the 'bleed control kit baton' from School A pupils and then run from our School to School B passing on a 'bleed control kit' to show how we are working as a Sefton Community to keep people safe. The relay race will start 9am from Holy Family High School and end with St William of York pupils arriving back at Holy Family for 2:00pm. 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 school will be supporting the event in some way. 84 schools in Sefton are 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/careers prior to the event to sponsor the children for the Mini Marathon and the pupils representing our school during the #kNOwKnifeCrime campaign relay.

Kind regards

*KScott*

Headteacher