Weekly Update

15 May 2026

TRINITY ACADEMY
Emmanuel Schools Foundation

Escape Trinity – A Mission Students Won't Want to Miss!

We are excited to introduce Escape Trinity, an action-packed, team-based challenge coming to school soon.

Link to School Calendar!

WORK WITH US- https://trinity-academy.org.uk/vacancies/

This experience is designed to get students thinking, collaborating, and solving problems together, all while having a great time!

Using a live stream displayed in Team Read, students must study clues carefully, every detail could be the key to success.

What Will Students Be Doing?
Each team will receive an Escape Trinity Pack, which includes:

- Task Sheet featuring a series of quick challenges, each unlocking a code
- Code Sheet to carefully record answers
- Recon Brief to decide and commit to the final location

To successfully complete the mission, teams must:

- Identify the correct location
- Present an accurately completed Code Sheet
- Successfully "release" the prisoner

Students will take on specific roles, work through challenges together, and gradually build the information needed to solve the final mystery. We encourage all students to take part in this exciting event. It promises to be a fun and rewarding challenge that brings learning to life in a unique way.

STUDENT VOICE @ TRINITY

Year 8 Council Meeting – Tuesday 19th May – Room 26
Year 7 Council Meeting – Wednesday 20th May – Room 26
Year 9 Council Meeting – Thursday 21st May – Room 26

Agenda as follows:

- You said, we did
- Rewards
- School Environment
- Supporting our wider community

Tutor reps – please get feedback/ideas from your form to take to your YC meeting

Rewards – trips/stationery shop/rewards shop/ character award
School Environment – 3G/reusable cups in the canteen/break time equipment
Wider community – litter picking campaign forma

Year Council Meetings

VALUED CHALLENGED INSPIRED

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TENNIS	CRICKET	ROUNDERS	FITNESS	BASKETBALL	FITNESS	FITNESS
Y7 – 10	Y7 - 10	Y7 - 10	Y8 - 9	Y7 -10	Y8 - 9	Y7
Tuesday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Thursday	Friday

All you need to do is come down to the changing rooms at 3.05 with your PE kit to join in

PE Enrichment – new clubs

VALUED CHALLENGED INSPIRED

Year 7/8 Rewards Trip to Flamingoland on Monday 13th July

Launching on **Monday 18th May** when the 50 students with the most merits in each year group will be sent an invite to book their places.

The cost of the trip will be £36 with the remaining costs covered by our Rewards budget.

Places must be booked by **Friday 5th June**

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Start: Thursday 4th June

Venue: Room 142

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This week's winner is.....

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Y11

MVP
THE MOST VALUABLE PRESENCE

Attendance Rewards

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WELL DONE!

TODAY-ACHIEVE TOMORROW ATTEND

Winners!

FIVER FRIDAY

Fusion Youth @ Trinity Academy

Enjoy sport ? Want to play more and be active? Come to Fusion Youth on Tuesday!

The free sessions will be lead by Active Fusions coaches along with students from Trinity Academy. Sessions will be suitable for all ability ranges whether you already participate in sport or want to come along and try something new.

Starting Tuesday 9th June
15:30 -16:30

Sign up by completing a paper form on arrival or scanning the QR code above..

Active Fusion are a registered charity - 1175220

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At The National College, our WakeUpWednesday guides empower and equip parents, carers and educators with the confidence and practical skills to be able to have informed and age-appropriate conversations with children about online safety, mental health and wellbeing, and climate change. Formerly delivered by National Online Safety, these guides now address wider topics and themes. For further guides, hints and tips, please visit nationalcollege.com.

What Parents & Educators Need to Know about

ONLINE GROOMING

WHAT ARE THE RISKS?

Online grooming is when someone builds a relationship with a child or young person online to gain their trust for the purpose of sexual abuse, exploitation, radicalisation, or criminal activity – such as county lines or financial scams. According to the NSPCC, police in the UK recorded over 7,000 offences involving sexual communication with a child in a single year - an increase of 89% since 2017/18.

STRANGERS USING FAKE IDENTITIES

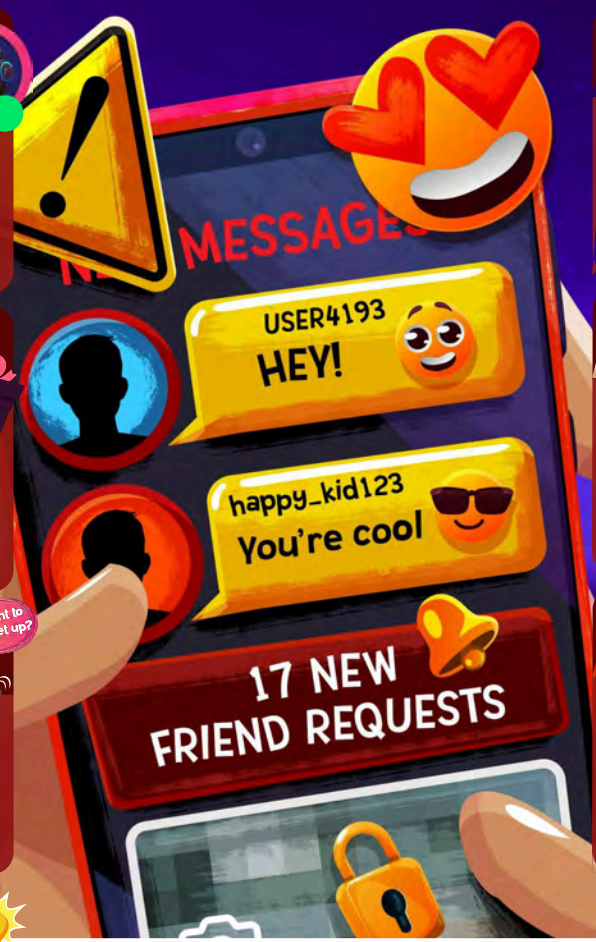
Groomers often pose as children or teenagers online to build trust. They may create convincing fake profiles, share photos stolen from real people, or mimic the interests of the child. By pretending to be someone their age, they make conversations feel safe and relatable. Over time, they may ask for personal details, photos, or suggest meeting in person, exposing children to significant emotional and physical harm.

EXPLOITATION THROUGH GIFTS AND FLATTERY

To gain trust quickly, groomers often send gifts, gaming credits, or money. Alongside material offerings, they use excessive compliments, affection, and attention to create emotional dependency. These tactics make children feel valued and special, lowering their defences. Once trust is secured, groomers may escalate their requests, often asking for photos or private conversations, making the child feel pressured or indebted to continue.

GROUP CHATS AS HIDDEN PATHWAYS

Unmonitored group chats on platforms like WhatsApp or Discord provide a cover for groomers. They can watch how children interact, identify those who seem vulnerable, and then move conversations into private messaging. This transition makes detection difficult for trusted adults. The seemingly harmless group setting often masks the presence of predators, giving children a false sense of security.



THE RISE OF SEXTORTION

Sextortion involves pressuring children into sharing explicit content, then blackmailing them for more. Offenders may claim to have hacked a child's device, threaten to share images with friends or family, or demand money. Many victims remain silent out of fear and shame. This growing crime is particularly dangerous because children often feel trapped, believing there's no safe way to escape the situation.

GAMING PLATFORMS AS GROOMING GATEWAYS

Games like Roblox, Fortnite, or Call of Duty, which include live chat features, are frequent targets for groomers. Conversations often begin casually during gameplay and can become manipulative over time. Groomers may offer in-game gifts, credits, or exclusive add-ons to build rapport. Children using headsets or private chat features are especially at risk, as conversations are harder for adults to monitor.

CRIMINAL & RADICALISATION RISKS

Grooming is not always sexual. Some offenders manipulate children into criminal activities such as drug running or online fraud. Others attempt to radicalise young people with extreme ideologies. Groomers often use fear, money, shame, or promises of belonging to control their victims. These forms of exploitation can be just as harmful as sexual grooming, and often leave lasting psychological and social consequences.

Advice for Parents & Educators

KEEP CONVERSATIONS REGULAR

Rather than having one "big talk" about online safety, weave conversations into everyday life. Ask questions about children's online friendships and interests. Share real-life examples to make discussions relatable and encourage honesty instead of secrecy. When children feel comfortable discussing their digital lives, they are far more likely to share concerns or admit when something feels wrong, reducing the chance of risky interactions going unnoticed.

CREATE A "TELL ME" CULTURE

Children often keep silent because they fear being punished or losing access to their devices. Reassure them that coming forward with concerns won't get them into trouble. Emphasise that you are there to help, not judge. Creating a safe, open environment encourages children to speak up if something feels wrong, and helps to ensure they don't suffer in silence when facing potential grooming risks.

UNDERSTAND THE PLATFORMS CHILDREN USE

Take time to learn about the apps, games, and social platforms children are on. Familiarise yourself with privacy settings, parental controls, and group chat features. Use resources like The National College guides or conduct quick searches to stay updated. By understanding how these platforms operate, you'll be better equipped to set boundaries, guide safe use, and notice any unusual or concerning online behaviour early.

STAY ALERT TO WARNING SIGNS

Be attentive to both behavioural and digital red flags. Sudden secrecy, mood swings, or new online contacts may signal a problem. Watch for unexplained gifts, new social media profiles, or changes in sleep patterns. Increased anxiety or reluctance to attend school can also be indicators. Regularly checking in and showing interest in those whom they communicate with online help prevent small issues from escalating into serious risks.

Meet Our Expert

Staffordshire Police is dedicated to keeping people safe and tackling crime across both the physical and digital world. The force continues to strengthen its digital investigation and safeguarding capabilities to protect children and vulnerable people online, working in partnership with local, regional and national organisations, schools, and the wider community.

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Join us for our Fathers Day Event

City of Doncaster Council

Family HUB

Day Event FUN!

The Corn Exchange, Doncaster Town Centre, DN1 1LQ
Saturday 27th June - 10am until 3pm

MR DAN TEAM

Doncaster Family Hubs invite you to our FREE Fathers Day Event. Come and enjoy a fun packed day with carnival games, balloon modelling, arts and crafts, with prizes to be won! Mr Dan will also be joining us!

PRIZES

No booking required

The event will include accessible spaces and resources for children who may benefit from support with their social and emotional wellbeing

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