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Welcome

MASH Education Officer



Gill Brentley

Over the next few weeks Gill will be introducing herself to schools and sharing with them the details of her role.

Gill has extensive skills and knowledge in relation to working in schools and will be a wonderful asset to the multi agency team.

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Welcome also Gill Holland, Head Teacher, Holy Family Halewood.

Gill is the latest addition to the education representatives on KSCB. Gill has taken over the role of **Primary Head Teacher** rep from Penny France, who stepped down from the commitment in July. The role of Head Teacher representative is vital to ensuring that schools have a voice in the multi agency dynamic of the board.

Many thanks to Penny France for the time and enthusiasm given to the work of Knowsley Safeguarding Children Board, including being a key member of the CSE sub group.

Useful Links

www.knowsleyscb.org.

Child Protection
Standards

Brook Sexual
Behaviours Traffic Light
toolkit

<https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/Teachers/blog/Dates/2013/8/Brook-Sexual-Behaviours-Traffic-Light-Tool-/>

SHIELD

The new name of the Knowsley Child Exploitation and Missing Children Service is SHIELD. The name was chosen by children and young people from Knowsley.

The SHIELD team has multi agency representation and will be based in the MASH.

The work of SHIELD will encompass the sexual exploitation of children as well as the criminal exploitation. It is recognized that one of the key risk factors in child exploitation of any type is children missing from home and/or education.

Missing from Home/Missing from Education

When children return from an episode of missing 'return interviews' are conducted to establish key information. In order to underpin a robust process and consistency regarding these interviews NYAS have been commissioned to complete these interviews.

It was reported to the Board that the information recorded in the interviews conducted so far is of good quality and will contribute to an overview of some of the issues relating to children who are reported missing from home.

Schools have a statutory requirement to inform via a SAIO, when a child has missed 10 consecutive school days. Once informed the SAIO will complete a Child Missing Education (CME) Checklist.

If the child is not located after the checklist has been completed the information will be referred on to Phil McCalliog who is the named person for CME and the central point for all referrals. The named CME person attends monthly multi agency meeting where cross over cases of children missing from home and missing from education are discussed.

Domestic Abuse



A report was presented to KSCB providing an overview of domestic abuse in Knowsley and what is in place to reduce its impact on those directly affected and their families. 10% of all Police actions relate to Domestic Abuse.

KSCB were asked to consider the level of services available to children affected by domestic abuse as well as to recognize the development of services to support families affected by domestic abuse. Also to adopt a

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4P's Model, Prevent;Pursue;Prepare;Protect.

Operation Encompass - Each school has Operation Encompass Champion. They are informed by the police when there has been a domestic abuse call and school age children in the family have been present. Operation Encompass has now been adopted across Merseyside.

KSCB are looking to offer Operation Encompass Key Adult Training, dates to be confirmed. All information about training will be available via the KSCB website.

MARAC – Multi Agency Risk Assessment Conference now takes place in Knowsley every 2 weeks. The named representative for Education is **Vicki Clements, Education Safeguarding Officer.**

In MARAC cases with children of school age in the family, the child's school will be contact for relevant information to share at the meeting. Information is shared when it is necessary to prevent a crime, protect the health/safety of the victim and/or the rights and freedoms of those who are victims of violence and their children, under the Data Protection Act and Human Rights Act.

This information is used in conjunction with that shared with other partner representatives to directly inform the risk assessment process.

The 'Prevent' Duty.

From 1 July 2015 specified authorities, including all schools, are subject to a duty under section 26 of the Counter-Terrorism and Security Act 2015, in the exercise of their functions, to have 'due regard to the need to prevent people being drawn into terrorism'. This is known as the Prevent duty.

It was reported to KSCB that in order to meet the requirements of the Prevent Duty a counter terrorism profile from the police has been requested. A local profile will then inform directly a borough approach, which will take into account

- Ideology – the local nature of extremism
- Institutions – Schools, Colleges, care settings, private providers
- Individuals – Referrals to the Channel Panel, chaired by a senior manager from the local authority.

There will be a focus around promoting the awareness of Prevent, also multi agency assessment group will be established which will include representation from the service areas affected, i.e. community safety, education, safeguarding children and safeguarding adults services.

There will also be a training program available for front line staff which will include how to make a referral to the Channel Panel.

Knowsley Child Protection Standards

School Compliance Statistics



Review Period Oct 2014 – January 2015

During the review period there was a total of 63 Child Protection Conferences to which the relevant school was invited. Of these attendance by the relevant schools was 84% (53 schools).

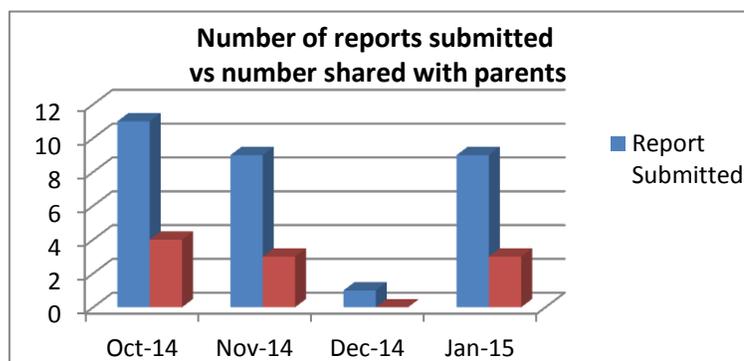
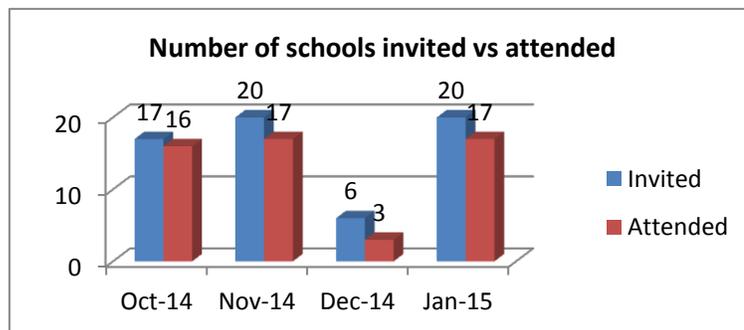
In accordance with Standard 11 a written report must be provided by each agency and

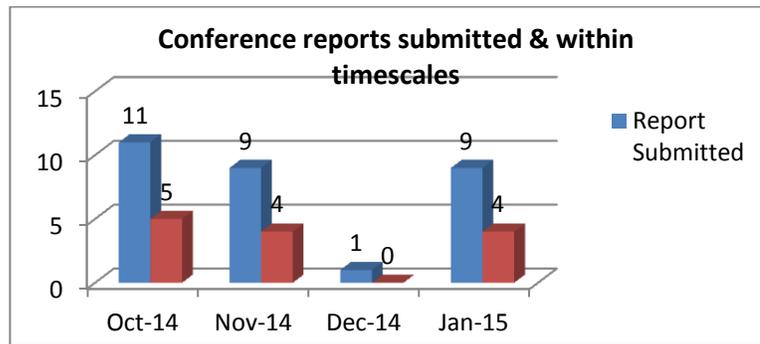
during the review period the number of reports submitted by schools was 30 which equates to 48% return.

Standard 11 further states that reports will be sent to the safeguarding and quality assurance unit 3 working days before the conference date. Of the 30 reports that were submitted only 43% were submitted within the required timescale.

Each agency is required to share their report with the parents and children not less than 24 hours in advance of the conference. Of the 30 reports submitted by schools only 33% had been shared with parents and children.

Below are summary charts which provide the overview statistics for each month during the review period.





Knowsley Safeguarding Children Board has a role in relation to quality assurance of partner agencies and services in relation to their duties around safeguarding and child protection.

Part of the board's role in this is to monitor and ensure compliance with the Knowsley Child Protection Standards.

This information will continue to be monitored by the board in relation to all partners.

Information and training

E-Safety Conference

Tuesday 20th October (1.00 – 3.45 pm)

CLC base Malvern Primary School

Knowsley CLCs will be hosting an eSafety Conference. Key speakers this year include Sophie Linnington from The Parent Zone and Alan Johnson, Senior Solicitor KMBC (who is going to talk about the legal implications of inappropriate use of social media).

The conference will be opened by Susan Pennington. Schools who purchase the CLC SLA are able to attend this conference free of charge. Schools who do not purchase the CLC SLA can attend at a cost of £40.

Feedback from the conference last year was excellent and off the back of this there is already considerable interest from schools from outside the authority. Places do go quickly and early registration is advised. For more information please contact **Gary Melia** or **Jodie Sharrock on 443 2155** and to reserve a place email Knowsley.clc@knowsley.gov.uk

60 Minute Safeguarding session

KSCB offer 60 minute safeguarding sessions on a number of topics. All information is available via the KSCB website. The next session available is,

Private Fostering

30th September 2015 12:00 to 1:00

YOS training room, Nutgrove Villa

7 at 7 Briefings

KSCB have published a number of 7 at 7 briefings covering a number of subjects. Copies of these briefings have been circulated to all schools via ICS, and are available on the KSCB website.

<http://www.knowsleyscb.org.uk/>

Awareness training Prevent

Online training includes information on how Channel links to the government's counter-terrorism strategy (CONTEST) through the Prevent strategy. It also provides guidance on how to identify people who may be vulnerable to radicalisation and how to refer them into the Channel programme

http://course.ncalt.com/Channel_General_Awareness/01/index.html

Updates

Section 175 Audits

Please be aware of the deadline for the completion of the KSCB schools section 175 audits. All electronic audits should be completed as soon as possible in order to enable KSCB to run an overview report.

User names and passwords have been e-mailed to schools, and access to the audit is via the Virtual College. Each school has received an email from the Virtual College with the relevant link attached.

If schools have not yet received a link from the Virtual College, an e-mail will be sent from Carly Gebhardt with of how retrieve log in and password details and the link to the Virtual College site.

Launch of the Inappropriate and Harmful Sexual Behaviours Protocol.

On 14th September KSCB launched the Inappropriate and Harmful Sexual Behaviours Protocol. This is a multi agency protocol which offers a process for multi agency management of children over the age of 10yrs who display inappropriate and harmful sexual behavior.

Multi agency training will be made available for staff. Details of the training and a copy of the document is available on the KSCB website.