A key stage 3 Citizenship resource on personal safety and robbery

- Assembly Pack with visual aids
- Full colour poster
- Pupil worksheets
- Fully comprehensive teacher booklet
What is SAFE?

SAFE is an initiative run jointly by Crimestoppers and the Home Office to help young people avoid becoming victims of robbery and to deter potential offenders.

The initiative will be officially launched in the week beginning 10th January 2005. In order to support and reinforce the message that is being communicated throughout SAFE’s launch week, the Home Office and Crimestoppers have developed this resource to support the curriculum. The resource aims to encourage young people to increase their personal safety in order to avoid falling victim to robbery, and to steer potential offenders away from offending through robbery. The issues of bullying in relation to robbery, mobile phone theft and handling stolen property are covered in some detail, and while the resource is intended to be used in four different lessons, all content is inter-related. The resource has been developed with practising teachers to support the Citizenship curriculum for Key Stage 3, and confronts these issues in an informative and positive manner.

The resource comprises of:

- x 1 Assembly plan to introduce the messages communicated in the lessons
- x 1 A2 poster for classroom display, to introduce pupils to the SAFE Initiative and Crimestoppers
- x 4 Black and white pupil worksheets on reverse of poster for photocopying which contain stimulating and involving exercises for pupils to complete in the classroom
- x 1 Teacher booklet which offers suggestions for lesson delivery and topic development and clearly defines the curriculum links for each subject

Who are Crimestoppers?

Crimestoppers was set up in 1988 and operate the anonymous number 0800 555 111. The phone number has been established so that people can give information about a crime or criminal activity completely anonymously. No call to Crimestoppers will be traced or recorded and the caller will not be asked to go to court to give evidence. Experienced call advisors are trained to handle calls from young people whose personal safety is their first priority.

The resource covers the following areas of the Citizenship curriculum and assists pupils with:

2a) thinking about topical political, spiritual, moral, social and cultural issues, problems and events by analysing information and its sources, including ICT based sources

2b) justifying orally and in writing a personal opinion about such issues, problems or events

2c) contributing to group and exploratory class discussions, and taking part in debates

3a) using their imagination to consider other people’s experiences and being able to think about, express and explain views that are not their own

3b) negotiating, deciding and taking part responsibly in both school and community-based activities.

The resource also links in with QCA Schemes of Work – Citizenship at Key Stage 3, Unit 02: Crime which teaches:

- that offending can be age-related
- that many factors lead young people to commit crimes
- about criminal and non-criminal offences and some of the characteristics of youth crime
- that crimes often have serious consequences for their victims and perpetrators, even so-called ‘victimless crime’
- about the age of criminal responsibility
- to listen carefully to, question and evaluate evidence.

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