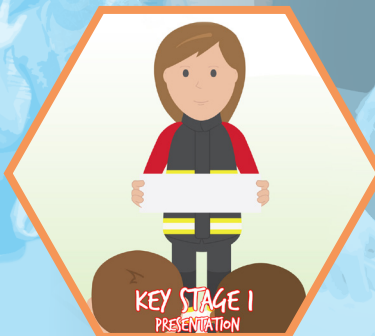




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Children & Young People Team
A guide to educational packages and services



PREVENTING PROTECTING RESPONDING

Introduction

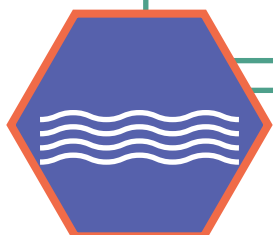
Here at Avon Fire & Rescue Service (AF&RS) we work with children and young people with the aim of reducing the risk of fire and water related incidents and road traffic injuries through education and raising awareness.

We want to enable every child and young person to thrive and develop skills to lead a healthy life and achieve their full potential. Our main areas of focus are:



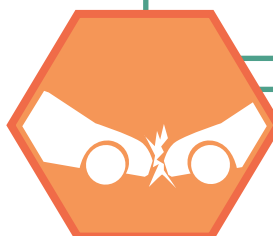
Fire

We would like to prevent children and young people being harmed or killed in fires or causing fires through ignorance or carelessness. In the UK an average of 34 children under the age of 11 are killed in fires every year and around 1,200 are injured. We would also like to stop children and young people becoming involved in fire crime and associated behaviour. By giving young people the tools to make better decisions we believe we can encourage responsible behaviours and attitudes towards community safety and help them to be a positive influence amongst their peers.



Water safety

There are significant water-related risks within our community. These include coastline, rivers, estuaries, lakes, streams, rhynes and fords, as well as other static water hazards such as ponds and swimming pools. Water related incidents pose a risk to our communities, especially our children and young people. Around 400 people needlessly drown in the UK every year and thousands more suffer injury, some life changing, through near-drowning experiences. Putting this into context, one person dies every 20 hours in the UK. Drowning is also the third highest cause of accidental death of children in the UK. Many people use our waterways for both commercial and leisure, it is therefore important that people can recognise these risks so they can have fun and stay safe .



Road traffic collisions

The road network has become a big part of everyone's day to day life, it is therefore important that people can use it safely. Every day eight people lose their lives and 25,000 are injured as a result of preventable incidents on the roads in the UK. These incidents can be avoided, so we are advocating safe drivers and are delivering safety tips and advice to reduce the number of deaths and injuries.

We have developed a range of packages to help Children and Young People identify risks and put effective control measures in place to prevent potential harm, loss or damage.

Early Years Foundation Stage

Elfs



What is the package?

Elfs (Early Learning Fire Safety) is an exciting, fun filled box that has been developed by Cornwall Fire & Rescue Service to provide teachers, who work with children in the Early Years Foundation Stage (EYFS) with the necessary resources to educate children with key skills in safety. It can be borrowed from AF&RS free of charge.

Who is the audience?

Designed specifically for children aged between two and five years, Elfs promotes a healthy and positive awareness of the fire and rescue service and the role of the firefighter, incorporating key learning areas within EYFS. There can be great benefits from educating children from an early age. Working with very young children during the EYFS provides the opportunity to positively influence them when they are especially receptive to learning.

Key messages

To help children understand key safety messages and to promote a healthy and positive awareness of the fire and rescue service and the role of the firefighter, whilst encompassing key learning areas within the EYFS.

How long does it last?

Each setting will have the Elfs box for three weeks.

Who delivers it?

A teacher-led resource, built around seven characters that each focus on a specific safety messages, includes a teacher's pack, book, games and other exciting learning materials.

How do I book?

You can request an Elfs box by visiting our website and filling out the application form. To do this visit <https://www.avonfire.gov.uk/our-services/educational-services/early-learning-fire-safety-elfs>

Quick overview

- Fire safety education
- Improves understanding the fire and rescue service
- Interactive and fun

elfs early learning fire safety what's in the pack?

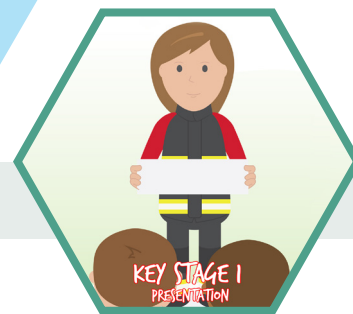


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Key Stage 1

Fire Awareness Delivery Pack



What is the package?

Our Key Stage 1 pack is a fun and interactive lesson that helps to highlight the dangers of fire by engaging children through story and play.

Who is the audience?

Designed specifically for children aged between five and seven years old this package is a great follow-on from the Elfs box that children may have used during their EYFS.

Key messages

To help the children understand the different roles of the fire and rescue service and focuses on the dangers of fire play using the Frances the Firefly story. Children will also be taught what to do if there is a fire as well as learning about stop, drop and roll.

How long does it last?

The total session should last 50 minutes, plus setup time.

Who delivers it?

It is delivered by local firefighters. We try our best to arrive on time and deliver the entire session, but crews may get called upon to attend an incident. Should this happen the visit will be rearranged for another date. We apologise for any inconvenience this causes.

How do I book?

You can request a Key Stage 1 package by visiting our website and filling out the application form. To do this visit <https://www.avonfire.gov.uk/our-services/educational-services?id=201>

Quick overview

- Fire safety information
- Improve understanding of the fire and rescue service
- Fun and interactive
- Delivered by local firefighters



FIRE AWARENESS DELIVERY PACK

The delivery pack contains the following resources:

- Guide book
- 12 piece firefighter jigsaw puzzle
- 12 'Role of the fire and rescue service' flashcards
- 'Frances the Firefly' PowerPoint story on CD
- 'Frances the Firefly' small story book
- 'Frances the Firefly' large size story book
- Five 'Escaping from a fire' flashcards
- Teacher evaluation sheet



Key Stage 3

Fire and Risk Education

What is the package?

Our Fire and Risk Education pack explores how different scenarios and case studies have the potential to be dangerous to young people, how these risks can be recognised and avoided, and what the consequences could be to the young person.

Who is the audience?

11 – 14 year olds.

Key messages

This package focuses on risk taking and consequences. It gives the students the tools to recognise what fire risks are and the potential consequences of playing with fire.

How long does it last?

60 minutes plus set up time.

Who delivers it?

Our Community Safety staff can provide flexible delivery of the two Key Stage 3 packages we offer (please see next page for details of our water safety package). Schools can therefore request that one or both packs be delivered on the same day.

How do I book?

You can request either of our Key Stage 3 packages (please see next page for details of our water safety package) by visiting our website and filling out the application form. To do this visit <https://www.avonfire.gov.uk/our-services/educational-services?id=201>



Package overview

- Fire safety information
- Improve understanding of the fire and rescue service
- Problem solving
- Fun and interactive
- Assists in identifying risks and consequences

Wallet contents

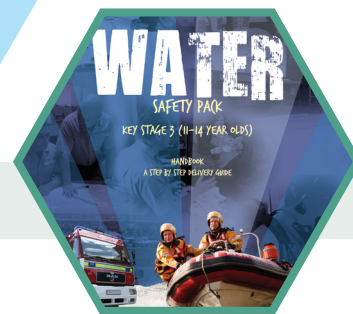
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- 1 Handbook, crib card and PowerPoint presentation
- 2 'Class rules' sign
- 3 Flames and number floor mats
- 4 35 voting cards
- 5 Gloves and coins
- 6 Smoke detector
- 7 Evaluation sheets, HFSV and Firesetter leaflets



Key Stage 3

Water Safety pack



What is the package?

Our water safety pack follows the same structure as our Fire and Risk Education pack, but concentrates on the different types of water risks.

Who is the audience?

11-14 year olds.

Key messages

How to keep safe around water, what to do if you find yourself in difficulty, the different dangers associated with water, and the potential consequences.

How long does it last?

60 minutes plus set up time.

Who delivers it?

Our Community Safety staff can provide flexible delivery of the two Key Stage 3 packages we offer (please see previous page for details of our fire safety package). Schools can therefore request that one or both packs be delivered on the same day.

How do I book?

You can request either of our Key Stage 3 packages (please see previous page for details of our fire safety package) by visiting our website and filling out the application form. To do this visit <https://www.avonfire.gov.uk/our-services/educational-services?id=201>

Package overview

- Water safety information
- Improve understanding of the fire and rescue service
- Problem solving
- Fun and interactive
- Assists in identifying risks and consequences

Wallet contents

You are responsible for ensuring the contents are returned to the wallet after use. There is a checklist of all contents attached to the wallet.



Key Stage 4

Wrecked (Road safety)



What is the package?

The Wrecked resource is a road safety session and has been designed to encourage discussion amongst young people on the causes, consequences and alternative outcomes of road incidents.

Who is the audience?

16 – 24 year olds.

Key messages

Each session involves playing a number of short story clips which give the account of various local road incidents, told by the individuals that were involved. After each clip the facilitator leads the group in peer-to-peer discussion and activities.

There are a number of different subjects and road user groups covered within the Wrecked resource so the session can be tailored to suit the requirements of the school.

Road users groups Subjects include:

- Pedestrians
- Drivers
- Powered two wheelers
- Cyclists
- Passengers
- Alcohol
- Drugs
- Speed
- Distractions
- Failure to look
- Blind spots

How long does it last?

Each subject last between 15 - 30 minutes. More than one subject can be requested or the same subject can be delivered to multiple groups.

Who delivers it?

Delivered by our Community Safety staff the session length can be customised to fit the requirements of the school.

How do I book?

You can request our Wrecked package by visiting our website and filling out the application form. To do this visit <https://www.avonfire.gov.uk/our-services/educational-services?id=201>

Package overview

- Road safety information
- Fun and interactive
- Assists in identifying risks and consequences



Firesetter Intervention Scheme

Playing with fire



What is the intervention?

The Firesetter Intervention Scheme is a programme to raise the child's awareness of the dangers of fire and the consequence of their actions. The programme maintains confidentiality unless we have a legal responsibility to pass information on to other agencies, in which case we will discuss our actions with the family.

Who is the audience?

Children and young people who have shown an interest in fire play or firesetting.

How long does it take?

The programme consists of between one and three sessions (decided case by case). Each session lasts for one hour.

Who delivers it?

Each session is delivered by two of our trained Firesetter advisers.

When to make a referral?

Any incident where:

- A young person aged under 25 years of age has displayed firesetting behaviour.
- A young person has been involved in making a hoax call.
- A young person needs reassurance from Avon Fire & Rescue Service with regard to their feelings about fire.

How do I make a referral?

- By phone on 0117 926 2061 (extension 393 – voicemail)
- By emailing Firesetters@avonfire.gov.uk
- By filling out the online form which can be found on the Firesetters section of the 'Our Services' page on the Avon Fire & Rescue Service website.

Parental agreement and support is crucial to the success of the programme and each session is tailored to the needs and abilities of the child concerned.

Intervention overview

- Designed for Children and Young People showing interest in fire play
- Interactive and engaging
- Assists in identifying risks and consequences

What is firesetting and why do some children start fires?

Children and young people of all ages display an interest in fire for reasons that could include natural curiosity or emotional distress.

This type of behaviour is often referred to as firesetting or fire play. Although you might think it's normal for children to be interested in fire, without help and guidance firesetting can become more serious and lead to property damage, injuries or even deaths.

Home Fire Safety Visits

Keep your loved ones safe



What is a Home Fire Safety Visit?

Fires in the home are devastating, but most of the incidents we are called to could have been avoided. Through Home Fire Safety Visits we provide practical advice and education to prevent fires starting in the first place. Smoke alarms will also be fitted free of charge if needed.

Who is the Audience?

Anyone can request a free visit.

Key messages

The help we offer will be specific to your circumstances and will include advice on;

- Escape routes
- Cooking safety
- Electrical safety
- A night time routine
- What to do if there is a fire

How long does it last?

45 – 60 minutes.

Who delivers it?

Either operational firefighters or one of our Community Support Workers will come to your home to provide you with information about how to reduce the risk of a fire starting.

How do I book?

You can request a Home Fire Safety Visit by visiting our website and filling out the application form. To do this visit: <https://www.avonfire.gov.uk/our-services/home-fire-safety-visits> call 0117 926 2061 or text 'visit' to 07507 319 694

Visit overview

- Free
- Smoke Alarms
- Safety information
- Escape plan



Book a FREE Home Fire Safety Visit
Keep your loved ones safe



Receive free advice from your local firefighters about reducing risk in your home and how you would escape in an emergency. Smoke alarms will also be fitted for free if required.

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