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SAFEGUARDING ADVICE DURING SCHOOL CLOSURE

Coronavirus has begun to change the pattern of daily life for many and we are seeing our government take even stronger steps to limit the impact of COVID-19. By collectively pulling together and supporting each other we will navigate our way through these most challenging of times for the benefit of our children and wider community.

This time will be disorientating for you and your family and so some great best tips on how to deal with emotions, make a family plan, and increase your family's online safety!

<https://www.protectyoungminds.org/2020/03/13/covid-19-school-closures-best-tips-digital-safety-emotional-wellness-family-time/>

Please use our website or Devon Children and Families Partnership website for advice <https://www.dcfp.org.uk/> and to provide information about agencies that can provide support for vulnerable children and families.

KOOTH is a free, safe and anonymous online support for young people. <https://www.kooth.com/>

Childline offers a wide range of support for young people. 0800 1111 <https://www.childline.org.uk/>

School nursing service offer Young people aged 11-19 can text a school nurse for confidential advice and support. Text 07520 631722 for advice on things like relationships, bullying, mental health, self-harm, drugs/alcohol.

HappyMaps is a website for parents regarding supporting children's mental health. The website and resources have been funded by Health Education England. HappyMaps is designed to help parents find useful resources on behaviour and mental health for their children - from babies to young adults. There is good general information (national) and also local information on counselling, charities, local CAMHS and parenting groups for the South-West. <https://www.happymaps.co.uk/>

Are you worried about the welfare of a child or young person?

- [Read about the warning signs of neglect](#)
- If you think a child could be at risk of significant harm, you should report it to the MASH team on 0345 155 1071
- Always call 999 in an emergency.

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