



Supporting Families & Wellbeing Newsletter Summer 2026

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Wellbeing Team Update

After almost eight years at Franche, I have made the tough decision to move on to pastures new. I have been so proud to work as part the Wellbeing Team to support staff, families and children across school and will definitely miss being part of the Franche family. I wish everyone a well-deserved, relaxing and safe summer break and all the best for the next academic year.

Paula Woodward

We are pleased to welcome a new member to the Safeguarding and Wellbeing Team, Louise Akerman, who will join as the Safeguarding Lead from September 2026. She comes with a wealth of experience and is looking forward to meeting families and children.



Keeping Children Safe

The Safeguarding Team have been made aware of ongoing issues at parks and green spaces in our local area, including Springfield Park, White Wickets and Brintons Park, over recent weeks which includes anti-social behaviour from school aged children, children being threatened and physically hurt. We have also been made aware of drug addicts frequenting White Wickets who have been seen preparing drugs.

Please ensure that your child/children are well supervised by a responsible adult at all times.

If you have any concerns contact the police on 101 (non-emergency) or 999 (for an emergency).

Kidderminster North Safer Neighbourhood Police

Link: [West Mercia Kidderminster North Contact Us](#)

West Mercia Police

Link: [West Mercia Contact Us](#)

If you have concerns that a child is at immediate risk of harm, contact Children's Social Services: 01905 822666

Link: [Worcestershire Children's Services](#)

If you have concerns about a child's safety or wellbeing, you can report and seek support through the NSPCC.

Link: [NSPCC - report concerns about a child](#)

Worcestershire Hubs Wyre Forest



Learn Play Grow

Learn Play Grow

Stay & Play Sessions



**FAMILY
HUBS**

Brookside - Weds 29th July - 1.00-2.30pm

Half Crown Wood - Mon 10th Aug - 1.00-2.30pm

Birchen Coppice - Tues 18th Aug - 10.00-11.30am



For 3 & 4 year olds starting Nursery or Reception this September.
We can help children build confidence and independence through fun, play-based sessions.

Topics covered:

- Getting dressed
- Washing hands
- Putting on socks
- Using cutlery
- Eating healthy foods
- Singing songs and nursery rhymes
- Listening and following simple instructions
- Creative play
- Plus creative play and crafts to boost fine motor skills

www.worcestershire.gov.uk/familyhubs



Wyre Forest Worcestershire Hubs are holding a range of events and group sessions over the summer.

Each image displays the activities planned week-by-week and include SEND peer support groups, stay and play, time for baby, Men United (group for Dads and male caregivers) and speech and language sessions. (tap each image to enlarge).



KDYT Summer Outreach Events 12.00 - 3.00pm

Wednesday 22nd July
@ St Georges Park, Kidderminster.

Friday 24th July
@ Baxter Gardens, Kidderminster.

Wednesday 29th July
@ Broadwaters, Kidderminster

Friday 31st July
@ Barnfield Park, Stourport

Friday 7th August
@ Woodbury Road Park, Kidderminster

Friday 14th August
@ Cookley Playing Fields, Cookley

Wednesday 19th August
@ Burlish Bike Park, Stourport

Friday 21 August
@ Walshes Community Centre/Cafe, Stourport

Friday 26th August
@ Showhedge Rd, Bewdley

Friday 28th August
@ Meredith Green, Kidderminster

Find us on Facebook... Family Hubs - Wyre Forest
www.worcestershire.gov.uk/familyhubs

Healthy Start Vitamins

Apply here ...



Volunteering

FOR MORE INFORMATION PLEASE CONTACT:
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julie.jetham@worcestershire.gov.uk
Family Hubs - Wyre Forest Kidderminster Facebook



SUMMER Week One

Mon 20th July	Tue 21st July	Wed 22nd July	Thu 23rd July	Fri 24th July
Stay and Play at BROOKSIDE 9.30 - 11.00 Suitable for babies and children aged 0 - 5 years No need to book, just turn up! Self Weigh Available	Breast Buddies Peer Support Group at BROOKSIDE 10.00 - 11.30 For more information please email: whchbs.breastfeeding.support@nhs.net	Birth and Beyond at BROOKSIDE 9.30 - 11.30 A 4 week preparation for parenthood group for first-time parents. Please call to book 01542 827207	Time for Baby Stay and Play at BROOKSIDE 10.00 - 11.00 A postnatal stay and play group for newborn and non-movers and parents/carers. No need to book, just turn up!	Understanding Your Baby at BROOKSIDE 10.00 - 12.00 A bookable group for parents with babies aged 0-6 months
Bumps to Babies Stay & Play at Birchen Coppice 2.15 - 3.15 No need to book, just turn up!	Men United Dad's and Male Caregivers Peer Support Group at BROOKSIDE 1.00 - 3.00 No need to book, just turn up!	Stay & Play at BIRCHEN COPPICE 1.45 - 3.15 Suitable for babies and children aged 0 - 5 years. No need to book, just turn up! Self Weigh Available	Stay & Play at HALF CROWN WOOD 1.00 - 2.30 Suitable for babies and children aged 0 - 5 years. No need to book, just turn up! Self Weigh Available	
	Birth and Beyond at BIRCHEN COPPICE 2.00 - 4.00 A 4 week preparation for parenthood group for first-time parents. Please call to book: 01542 827207	SEN Support Group (Nigel Prosser Foundation) at BROOKSIDE 4.15 - 5.45 BOOKING ESSENTIAL via Nigel Prosser Foundation	SEN Support Group (Nigel Prosser Foundation) at BROOKSIDE 4.15 - 5.45 BOOKING ESSENTIAL via Nigel Prosser Foundation	

More info: worcestershire.gov.uk/familyhubs

Family Hubs - Wyre Forest

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SUMMER Week Two

Mon 27 th July	Tue 28 th July	Wed 29 th July	Thu 30 th July	Fri 31 st July
Stay and Play at BROOKSIDE 9.30 - 11.00 Self Weigh Available	Breast Buddies Peer Support Group at BROOKSIDE 10.00 - 11.30 For more information please email: whchhs.breastfeeding.support@nhs.net	Birth and Beyond at BROOKSIDE 9.30 - 11.30 A 4 week preparation for parenthood group for first-time parents. Please call to book 01562 827207	Time for Baby Stay and Play at BROOKSIDE 10 - 11 am A postnatal stay and play group for newborn and non-movers and parents/carers. No need to book, just turn up!	Understanding Your Baby at BROOKSIDE 10.00 - 12.00 A bookable group for parents with babies aged 0-6 months
Healthy Steps at BIRCHEN COPPICE 10.00 - 12.00 Eating Well Brunch provided by Simply Limitless Family Cafe	Birth and Beyond at BIRCHEN COPPICE 2.00 - 4.00 A 4 week preparation for parenthood group for first-time parents. Please call to book: 01562 827207	Learn Play Grow at BROOKSIDE 1.00 - 2.30 Stay & Play for 3 - 4 yr olds. Exploring independence. No need to book, just turn up!	Stay & Play at HALF CROWN WOOD 1.00 - 2.30 Suitable for babies and children aged 0 - 5 years. No need to book, just turn up! Self Weigh Available	SEN Support Group (Nigel Prosser Foundation) at BROOKSIDE 4.15 - 5.45 BOOKING ESSENTIAL via Nigel Prosser Foundation
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SUMMER Week Three

Mon 3 rd August	Tue 4 th August	Wed 5 th August	Thu 6 th August	Fri 7 th August
Stay and Play at BROOKSIDE 9.30 - 11.00 Self Weigh Available	Breast Buddies Peer Support Group at BROOKSIDE 10.00 - 11.30 For more information please email: whchhs.breastfeeding.support@nhs.net	LICKHILL PLAY DAY Lickhill Memorial Park 11.00 - 2.00 Bring your own picnic!	Time for Baby Stay and Play at BROOKSIDE 10 - 11 am A postnatal stay and play group for newborn and non-movers and parents/carers. No need to book, just turn up!	Understanding Your Baby at BROOKSIDE 10.00 - 12.00 A bookable group for parents with babies aged 0-6 months
Healthy Steps at BIRCHEN COPPICE 10.00 - 12.00 Cooking Well Brunch provided by Simply Limitless Family Cafe	Men United Dad's and Male Caregivers Peer Support Group at BROOKSIDE 1.00 - 3.00 No need to book, just turn up!	Birth and Beyond at BROOKSIDE 9.30 - 11.30 A 4 week preparation for parenthood group for first-time parents. Please call to book: 01562 827207	Stay & Play at HALF CROWN WOOD 1.00 - 2.30 Suitable for babies and children aged 0 - 5 years. No need to book, just turn up! Self Weigh Available	SEN Support Group (Nigel Prosser Foundation) at BROOKSIDE 4.15 - 5.45 BOOKING ESSENTIAL via Nigel Prosser Foundation
Self Weigh at Stourport Library 11.00 to 12.00	Birth and Beyond at BIRCHEN COPPICE 2.00 - 4.00 A 4 week preparation for parenthood group for first-time parents. Please call to book: 01562 827207	SEN Support Group (Nigel Prosser Foundation) at BROOKSIDE 4.15 - 5.45 BOOKING ESSENTIAL via Nigel Prosser Foundation		
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SUMMER Week Four

Mon 10 th August	Tue 11 th August	Wed 12 th August	Thu 13 th August	Fri 14 th August
Stay and Play at BROOKSIDE 9.30 - 11.00 Self Weigh Available	Breast Buddies Peer Support Group at BROOKSIDE 10.00 - 11.30 For more information please email: whchhs.breastfeeding.support@nhs.net	Birth and Beyond at BROOKSIDE 9.30 - 11.30 A 4 week preparation for parenthood group for first-time parents. Please call to book: 01562 827207	Time for Baby Stay and Play at BROOKSIDE 10 - 11 am A postnatal stay and play group for newborn and non-movers and parents/carers. No need to book, just turn up!	Kinship Carers at BROOKSIDE 9.30 - 11.30
Healthy Steps at BIRCHEN COPPICE 10.00 - 12.00 Children's Oral Health Brunch provided by Simply Limitless Family Cafe	Birth and Beyond at BIRCHEN COPPICE 2.00 - 4.00 A 4 week preparation for parenthood group for first-time parents. Please call to book: 01562 827207	Self Weigh at Bewdley Library 10.00 to 11.00	Stay & Play at HALF CROWN WOOD 1.00 - 2.30 Suitable for babies and children aged 0 - 5 years. No need to book, just turn up! Self Weigh Available	Understanding Your Baby at BROOKSIDE 10.00 - 12.00 A bookable group for parents with babies aged 0-6 months
Learn Play Grow at HALF CROWN WOOD 1.00 - 2.30 Stay & Play for 3 - 4 yr olds. Exploring independence.		Stay & Play at BIRCHEN COPPICE 1.45 - 3.15 Suitable for babies and children aged 0 - 5 years. No need to book, just turn up! Self Weigh Available	SEN Support Group (Nigel Prosser Foundation) at BROOKSIDE 4.15 - 5.45 BOOKING ESSENTIAL via Nigel Prosser Foundation	SEN Support Group (Nigel Prosser Foundation) at BROOKSIDE 4.15 - 5.45 BOOKING ESSENTIAL via Nigel Prosser Foundation
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SUMMER Week Five

Mon 17 th August	Tue 18 th August	Wed 19 th August	Thu 20 th August	Fri 21 st August
Stay and Play at BROOKSIDE 9.30 - 11.00 Self Weigh Available	Breast Buddies Peer Support Group at BROOKSIDE 10.00 - 11.30 For more information please email: whicbs.breastfeeding.support@nhs.uk	Birth and Beyond at BROOKSIDE 9.30 - 11.30 A 4 week preparation for parenthood group for first-time parents. Please call to book: 01562 827207	Time for Baby Stay and Play at BROOKSIDE 10 - 11 am A postnatal stay and play group for newborn and non-movers and parents/carers. No need to book, just turn up!	
Healthy Steps at BIRCHEN COPPICE 10.00 - 12.00 The Importance of Sleep. Brunch provided by Simply Limitless Family Cafe  A bookable programme	Learn Play Grow at BIRCHEN COPPICE 10.00 - 11.30 Stay & Play for 3 - 4 year olds. Exploring Independence.	Stay & Play at BIRCHEN COPPICE 1.45 - 3.15 Suitable for babies and children aged 0 - 5 years. No need to book, just turn up!	Stay & Play at HALF CROWN WOOD 1.00 - 2.30 Suitable for babies and children aged 0 - 5 years. No need to book, just turn up! Self Weigh Available	
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SUMMER Week Six

Mon 24 th August	Tue 25 th August	Weds 26 th August	Thu 27 th August	Fri 28 th August
Stay and Play at BROOKSIDE 9.30 - 11.00 Self Weigh Available	Breast Buddies Peer Support Group at BROOKSIDE 10.00 - 11.30 For more information please email: whicbs.breastfeeding.support@nhs.uk	Birth and Beyond at BROOKSIDE 9.30 - 11.30 A 4 week preparation for parenthood group for first-time parents. Please call to book 01562 827207	Time for Baby Stay and Play at BROOKSIDE 10 - 11 am A postnatal stay and play group for newborn and non-movers and parents/carers. No need to book, just turn up!	
Healthy Steps at BIRCHEN COPPICE 10.00 - 12.00 Getting Active Brunch provided by Simply Limitless Family Cafe  A bookable programme	Birth and Beyond at BIRCHEN COPPICE 2.00 - 4.00 A 4 week preparation for parenthood group for first-time parents. Please call to book: 01562 827207	Stay & Play at BIRCHEN COPPICE 1.45 - 3.15 Suitable for babies and children aged 0 - 5 years. No need to book, just turn up! Self Weigh Available	Stay & Play at HALF CROWN WOOD 1.00 - 2.30 Suitable for babies and children aged 0 - 5 years. No need to book, just turn up! Self Weigh Available	
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Kidderminster Library Summer Activities



Kidderminster Library are running a variety of events for families and children over the summer break including: lego club, knit and natter, bounce and rhyme, stay and play, storytime and the summer reading challenge.

Link: [Activities at Kidderminster Library](#)

WORCESTERSHIRE
FAMILY HUBS
LIBRARY
SUMMER EVENTS



- **Stourport Library on Monday 4th August 1.00 - 2.30**
Making Mini Beasts! An insect story and making mini beast models out of clay
- **Bewdley Library on Monday 13th August 11.00 - 12.00**
Making Mini Beasts! An insect story and making mini beast models out of clay
- **Kidderminster Library on Wednesday 20th August 10.00 - 11.30**
Creative Castles - Junk Modelling. A story and make a castle out of recycled materials.

Families with Children aged 0-5 years, siblings welcome.

www.worcestershire.gov.uk/FamilyHubs



KDYT (Kidderminster District Youth Trust)



KDYT
SUMMER OUTREACH PROGRAMME

JULY - AUGUST 2026

 WEDNESDAY 22ND JULY St. George's Park DY10 2ES 12 NOON - 3PM	 FRIDAY 14TH AUGUST Cookley Playing Fields DY10 3RH 12 NOON - 3PM
 FRIDAY 24TH JULY Baxter Gardens DY10 2HD 12 NOON - 3PM	 WEDNESDAY 19TH AUGUST Burlish Bike Park DY13 8NA 12 NOON - 3PM
 WEDNESDAY 29TH JULY Broadwaters Park DY10 2UL 12 NOON - 3PM	 FRIDAY 21ST AUGUST The Walshes Community Centre and Cafe DY13 0EG 12 NOON - 3PM
 FRIDAY 31ST JULY Barnfield Park DY13 OHG 12 NOON - 3PM	 WEDNESDAY 26TH AUGUST Shawhedge Park DY12 1EX 12 NOON - 3PM
 FRIDAY 7TH AUGUST Woodbury Park DY11 7JJ 12 NOON - 3PM	 FRIDAY 28TH AUGUST Meredith Green DY11 7EJ 12 NOON - 3PM

IN PARTNERSHIP WITH:

Burlish Bike Park and Open Trail - Community Housing - CAMHS WEST - Kidderminster Town Council -
Cookley Village Hall and Playing Fields Association - Walshes Community Cafe and Food Share - Wyre Forest
Health Partnership - STEPS (West Mercia) - Best Start Family Hub Worcestershire - Healthwatch
Worcestershire - West Mercia Women's Aid

FOLLOW US AT:  KDITYOUTH  KDYT

1 - KDYT are bringing free games, activities, sports, creative opportunities, and support for young people right into local communities across Kidderminster and the surrounding areas this summer. Families are welcome to go along, meet the team, have some fun, and connect with other young people in a safe and welcoming environment.

Wyre Forest Room on the Broom



What to expect on the Room on the Broom trail

Join Witch and her friends on an enchanting adventure at Wyre Forest.

This interactive family trail is packed with Room on the Broom themed activities, fascinating forest facts and plenty of hands-on fun.

As you explore, help Witch find her lost hat, bow and wand, and collect the special ingredients she needs to complete her spell – but watch out for Dragon along the way!

Once you've finished the trail, snap a photo with Witch and her animal friends on their magnificent new broom.

Room on the Broom trail pack

Start your adventure with a Room on the Broom trail pack, available for just £4 from the Information Pod or cafe. Each pack is filled with everything you need to bring the magic to life, including:

- Kraft bag to colour in, and a pencil.
- Room on the Broom lanyard to wear.
- ingredient stickers and spell cards to fill in.
- craft card with pop-out star to make to your own witchy wand.

Share your experiences and photos with us using #RoomOnTheBroomTrail

Special Room on the Broom appearance

Come along to meet Witch herself on Thursday 13 August. Join us for a day of Room on the Broom-themed fun and activities!

Witch appearance times

- 11am to 11.40am
- 12pm to 12.40pm
- 1.30pm to 2.10pm
- 2.30pm to 3.10pm
- 3.30pm to 4.00pm

The 3.30pm session will be a SEN session, designed to be quieter with less queues. This session will be for pre-booked visitors only, with limited spaces available. To book, please [email us](#).

All other meet-and-greets are on a first-come, first-served basis and may get busy, so arrive early to avoid missing out.

Please note that appearance times may be subject to change.

Severn Rivers Trust



Riverside Meadows, Stourport DY13 8UX3 and 4 August 2026

10am - 12pm and 1pm - 4pm

Free entry - spaces are limited, booking is essential

Join Severn River Trust by the banks of the river!

Families with children aged 5-10 years are invited to come along and meet our friendly team at this wonderful location by the banks for the river.

These events are free of charge to families. However, spaces are limited so if you need to cancel your tickets, please let us know as soon as possible so that we can reallocate your place to another participant.

Workshops are best suited to children 5-10, but younger and older siblings are very welcome to join in.

All children must be accompanied by a responsible adult, who will supervise them closely during activities. Maximum of 4 children per adult.

For more details and how to book please go to [Severn Rivers Trust website](https://www.severn-rivers-trust.org.uk/)

Geofest 2026



Geofest 2026 offers a range of fabulous events across Worcestershire including: Hartlebury Castle, Bewdley Museum, Severn Valley Railway, Worcester Cathedral, the Wyre Forest and many more places.

Date: July and August 2026

Link: [geopark.org.uk](https://www.geopark.org.uk)

GeoFest

23 May to 30 August 2026



Join us for talks, guided walks, exhibitions, rock and fossil hunts, crafts days, heritage events, history tours and more!

Each year GeoFest celebrates the geology, wildlife, archaeology, art and heritage found within Abberley and Malvern Hills Geopark!



**Find out what's on near you
at www.geopark.org.uk**



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HAF Summer Activities



Make this summer unforgettable! As HAF returns for the school holidays, we're excited to share with you our provisions across Worcestershire - a mix of old favourites, new entries and absolutely, plenty to keep your children and young people entertained, engaged and excited for a summer of fun!

Each child receives 16 credits for the summer. One session/activity is 1 credit. You can of course change your mind once booked and cancel places that you wish to change/can no longer attend via your account. We ask that if you need to do this, please do so as soon as possible - your unwanted place can no doubt be of benefit to another family. It's also worth noting, if you don't cancel, you won't receive a refunded credit to use elsewhere.

Stay updated on Facebook If you aren't yet following us on Facebook - get involved! Here you'll see useful information, latest news and updates, links to HAF providers and what's running where.

Link: [HAF Summer 2026](#)

Carolians Girls Summer of Rugby



2 - Come and join us for fun filled training sessions on Friday evenings, 6-7pm, at Kidderminster Carolians RFC on Marlpool Lane. For girls in Y5 and Y6. No previous experience needed, we'll teach them new skills and how to play. And if they've played before then they're very welcome to come along too. We'll have a range of abilities there - from novices to experienced U11 players. It's a great opportunity for them to train with other girls, improve their skills and make new friends. Plus the bar will be open for parents to enjoy a refreshment in the sunshine while we train.

Sessions are free of charge.

For more information, please contact Steve at kcrfgirls@gmail.com.

Link: [Summer of Rugby Information](#)



Gingerbread charity
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Gingerbread offer support and advice for single parents to get the right support at the right time. They advertise a forum as a safe place to meet other single Mums or single Dads in local or digital groups.

Confidential support is offered to talk about anything troubling or worrying families.

There is a huge amount of advice and support on the Gingerbread website: benefits, childcare, contact arrangements, cost of living, applying for a grant (to support things like food/replacement of white goods etc), housing, domestic violence and much more.

Link: [Gingerbread](#)

Link: [Gingerbreak - find practical information](#)

MELO



MELO have an innovative and flexible approach to promote wellbeing, build resilience, support emotional wellbeing and mental health in children and young people (aged 0 - 25 years old). Support can take place on a 1:1 basis or in small groups via bespoke activities to address specific concerns.

Families are able to self-refer or the Franche wellbeing team are very happy to support completion of a referral. Please get in touch with the wellbeing team if you would like to discuss further or be supported to complete a referral.

Self referral link: [MELO Referral](#)

MELO website for more information: [MELO](#)

Contact number: 01905 27525



Too Good To Go



Morrisons:

£3.29 (worth £10.00) Kidderminster

'Your Surprise Bag could consist of a range of fruit, veg, bread and baked goods, cakes, deli, and/or cupboard items. Items may be past the Best Before/Display Until date, but will be perfectly good to eat. Allergens: The contents of your Surprise Bag will vary from day to day. Some foods will contain statutory allergens. Please bear in mind that due to the way we prepare food, it is possible other allergens may be present. If you would like to know the specific allergens present, please refer to the 'Allergy Advice' on the label.'



3 - Scan the QR code to download the APP to reserve your 'too good to go' bag.

Costa:

£3.50 (worth £11.00) Crossley Retail Park, Carpet Trades Way, Kidderminster DY11 6DY

*'Take home a tasty array of treats from the UK's #1 Coffee Shop, from hearty sandwiches, toasties and salads, to yummy pastries and cakes. *Remember, the contents of your Surprise Bag depend on which items haven't sold that day, so it's a surprise until you pick it up. All items will be nearing their best before or use by date. Please note, the value of the contents will add up to £11 at full retail value.'*



4 - Scan the QR code to download the APP to reserve your 'too good to go' bag.

Aldi:

£3.30 (worth £10.00) Silverwoods Wy., Kidderminster DY11 7DT

'Rescue a selection of grocery items, that could include fruit, vegetables, fish, meat, dairy, cakes, pastries and snacks. Remember, the contents of your Surprise Bag are a combination of available stock on the day, so its a surprise until you pick it up.'



5 - Scan the QR code to download the APP to reserve your 'too good to go' bag.

Food Bank



Kidderminster Food Bank don't think anyone in our community should have to face going hungry. That's why they provide three days' nutritionally balanced emergency food and support to local people who are referred to them in crisis. The food bank are part of a nationwide network of food banks, supported by The Trussell Trust, working to combat poverty and hunger.

If you need food bank support please contact Paula Woodward or the school office on 01562 751788 during term-time. Referrals are confidential. During school holiday periods, you can also access this support through the Job Centre, Citizen's Advice, NHS services (including your GP) or Social Services.

The food bank aim to make sure that no one in our local community has to go hungry, but they do need help to make this happen. Any gift of financial support, time, business partnership or donations of food can make a real difference.

Kidderminster Food Bank, Unit 9, Swan Shopping Centre, Blackwell Street, Kidderminster

NHS Talking Therapies



Talking Therapies provides a range of free, confidential support to people aged 16 and over across Herefordshire and Worcestershire. Support may include: how to support your wellbeing, struggling for a couple of weeks or if you need urgent advice.

This includes:

- [Online therapy](#)
- [Groups and courses](#)
- [1:1 therapy](#)
- [Employment support](#)

Support can also help you find and access a variety of groups, courses and activities delivered by voluntary, charity and social enterprise providers that can support your physical and mental wellbeing. [Self-help guides](#) are designed to help you understand how you are feeling, and cover a wide range of topics such as depression, anxiety and stress.

If you are experiencing something that makes you feel unsafe, distressed, or worried about your mental health, you can now contact the Herefordshire and Worcestershire 24 hour urgent mental health helpline by calling [NHS 111](#) and selecting the mental health option.

Link: <https://www.talkingtherapies.hwhct.nhs.uk/>

Keeping Children Safe Online



The online world is moving at a fast pace; children need guidance and support to keep themselves safe online. Parent/carers have a key role in keeping children safe online. At school we teach children that if they see anything inappropriate online or someone that they do not know tries to befriend or contact them they should close the lid/switch the device off and tell an adult.

Below are some easy to read information and advice sites to support families in keeping children safe online.

- The NSPCC have some fantastic guides and advice for parents which is broken down into under 5's, under 10's, pre-teens and children with SEND.

More information:

[NSPCC supporting children with the use of technology.](#)

- UK Internet Safety have a wealth of tips, advice and guides to support families keeping children safe online.

More information:

[Safety Internet tips, guides and advice.](#)

- ChildLine top tips for children are broken down into easily understood statements.

More information:

[ChildLine taking control of your online safety for children.](#)

- ChildLine provide a variety of ways for children and families to get support if they have concerns about their safety online.

More information:

[ChildLine ways to get support.](#)

- Parental Controls are important to ensure that children are not exposed to inappropriate content. With so many different devices and game consoles, setting parental control can seem daunting. The NSPCC have a good starting point to support families.

More information:

[NSPCC Parental Controls.](#)

Safe Messaging for Children



Stars is a private messaging platform tailored for children and families, with a PEGI 3 rating. It enables users to send messages, photos, videos, and voice recordings without requiring a phone number or access to a device's address book. Stars states it is a safe option for young people, it has a host of different safety features to help ensure that young people can avoid harmful

content, strangers, and spam whilst messaging. The app says it is 'safe by design' stating that 'Instead of searching for people to add, users need their friend's username as well as their unique private Friend Code.'

More information: [A Guide to safe messaging using 'Stars'](#)

Helpline Numbers



- **West Mercia Women's Aid** supporting victims of domestic abuse: 0800 980 3331
- **Mankind Initiative** supporting male victims of domestic abuse: 01823 334244
- **Relate** Hereford & Worcester relationship counselling: 01905 28051
- **Community Housing**: 0300 003 5454
- **Citizen's Advice** Kidderminster 0808 278 7891
- **HELP** support for homeless people in Kidderminster: 07470 949050
- **Samaritans**: 116 123

- **Victim Support** following a crime: 0808 1689111
- **Cranstoun** Worcestershire support for drug and alcohol intake 0300 303 8200
- **SEND:**

SEND Services: 01905 845579

North Area team: 01905 845134

South Area team: 01905 843125

Email SEND Services general: sen@worcestershire.gov.uk

Email North Area team: SENNorth@worcestershire.gov.uk

Email South Area team: SENSouth@worcestershire.gov.uk

Franchise Wellbeing Team



We all have times when life just gets too much. At these times, a bit of extra help can make a huge difference and by working together we can improve outcomes for children, families and communities. The Wellbeing Team at Franche are available to support families at any point in a child's life. Support might relate to early help, parenting, routines, behaviour, attendance support, SEND, mental health and/or wellbeing.

Contact: 01562 751788

Email: safeguarding@francheprimary.worcs.sch.uk

Email: keepintouch@francheprimary.worcs.sch.uk

Our Supporting Families and Wellbeing Newsletter has lots more information and is available on the link below:

Link: [Supporting Families and Wellbeing](#)



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Miss Caleb



Mr Preston



Miss Plant



Mrs French

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We would like to take this opportunity to wish you are all a wonderful, restful and safe summer break.

We are back to school on the 3rd September 2026 so please do get in touch if we can support in any way.