



# Walsall Prevent Digest

## March 2022

Current Threat Level in the UK: SUBSTANTIAL– An Attack is Likely

### DfE Resource – Talking to Young People about Ukraine

The Russian invasion of Ukraine is likely to lead to questions and concerns among young people. To help support these conversations, the Department for Education has **compiled useful advice and classroom resources for teachers and families**, including how to talk to young people about distressing and complex news stories and how to spot mis- and disinformation.



### New ParentWise Resource

The ParentWise campaign, is a six-week pilot communications campaign designed to build parents and carers' understanding of the range of harms their child could be exposed to, spot the signs that something could be wrong and empower them to act if they are worried, has released a new video which we're pleased to share with you.

The film, shot at the Midlands Arts Centre in Birmingham, follows three young people who have been acting differently and could be navigating a range of issues and risks as they grow up and start becoming more independent. For their parents or carers, they aren't sure if it's typical 'growing up' behaviour or signs that something could be wrong.

You can view and download the short film by **clicking here**. At the same link, there are also shorter versions of the film (15 secs and 30 secs). The film is also available to link to via Youtube – **click here**.



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## Beware of Lurking Trolls

**Beware of Lurking Trolls** is a programme for primary school children using story books, cartoons, tools and tips to learn more about online safety. It has been developed by the Portsmouth, Hampshire, Southampton and Isle of Wight Safeguarding Board and has been delivered to schools.

## Children's Social Care Conference – London and Birmingham

Following the publication of research into **how radicalisation is being addressed in children's social care**, the Department for Education is hosting two conferences, Tuesday 22 and 29 March 2022. The aim of the events is to provide an update on the current threat picture of radicalisation affecting children and young people, share views on how CSC staff and partners contribute to safeguarding from radicalisation and Share good practice, this includes input from other local authorities into their practices. Please register for the event by 8 March 2020 to secure your spot.



## Walsall Prevent Web page

The Walsall Prevent Webpage can be located on our Safer Walsall Partnership external website. The site is live and the Prevent page can be accessed via the below link:-

[www.saferwalsallpartnership.com/prevent-extremism](http://www.saferwalsallpartnership.com/prevent-extremism)

**For Information, Support or Guidance around Prevent, or should you have any queries, concerns or are looking to make a referral, please do not hesitate to contact me...**



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## Shout Out – Season Two of the Media Minded Podcast



Shout Out is launching the second season of its 'Media Minded' podcast. This season, the podcast will focus on debunking some of the most pressing conspiracy theories circulating in online spaces, ranging from anti-vaccination and 'New World Order' theories, to climate change denialism, white supremacy and Antisemitism.

**You can listen to the episodes on the following links:**

- Spotify: <https://open.spotify.com/show/3TZplkHyNf3mSVBER9LrAy>
- Apple Podcasts: <https://podcasts.apple.com/gb/podcast/media-minded-by-shoutout-uk/id1366046821>