



Welcome to the October edition of the Dudley Schools Anti-Bullying Pledge Scheme Newsletter, signposting you to a range of national, regional and local anti-bullying initiatives

You have probably seen in the news recently stories about child sexual exploitation (CSE) such as the many cases in Rotherham. Lesson plans to help schools to address this issue can be found here: <http://loudmouth.co.uk/wp-content/uploads/WFM-Who-Can-You-Trust-Exercise-September-14.pdf>
<http://loudmouth.co.uk/wp-content/uploads/WFM-Staying-Safe-Online-Exercise-April-2012.pdf>



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Join the debate

On **Monday 17th November 2014** Safe and Sound, Dudley's Community Safety Partnership and Dudley Children and Young People's Partnership will be hosting the seventh annual debate in the Council Chamber at the Council House in Priory Road, Dudley. This year the debate will be around the theme 'Let's Stop Bullying for All'. If you would like your school to take part please contact katriona.lafferty@dudley.gov.uk

Teacher Donna Castle has arranged for Kingswinford School to host the **Diana Award Anti-Bullying Ambassadors Training** on **Tuesday 21st October**. 80 places are available for children from other Dudley primary and secondary schools. See flyer for details.



Did you know that as well as providing clear, age-appropriate information, guidance and support for young people, the Thinkuknow sites for [11-13s](#) and [14+](#) each have a great 'News' section? They contain thought-provoking and topical news articles relating to sex, relationships and the internet from across the world to appeal to and engage young people. The selection of regularly updated news stories can act as a great resource for practitioners who are looking to engage young people through current affairs. What better way to engage young people about over sharing online than discussing the real-life story of how a [teen lost £50,000 after sharing too much on Facebook](#) or when a [14-year-old was arrested after sending a 'joke' terror threat on Twitter](#)?

2 October – Deadline for submissions for Pledge Scheme accreditation (30 Dudley schools already signed up. **Are you missing out?**)

21 October – Ambassadors training at The Kingswinford School
17 November – Anti-bullying debate in council chambers

18 November - **Final opportunity** to access popular training (see flyer) !
17 – 21 November – Anti-bullying week



Do you have a contribution for the next newsletter? Can you share your experience / good practice? Email Lynda.kesterton@dudley.gov.uk

