

Knife Angel - Plan of action for Primary schools



The Knife Angel, the National Monument against Violence and Aggression, will arrive in Slough 10th January until 31st January 2023. The Knife Angel will be hosted at Arbor Park Stadium and will be supported by police presence during the day until 8pm.

TVP and wider partners are working on plans to ensure the Knife Angel is a real focal point in the month of action against violence; to 'start conversations' about knife crime and knives, why people carry them and the life changing impact they can have.

We would like to keep schools updated on the plan of action for January while the monument is in Slough. The increased awareness will hopefully assist you to respond to your children and young people needs in a planned way should any questions or fears arise. Hopefully this plan of action will enable you to develop your local response to your school communities accordingly.

We are hoping this is the beginning of opening a longer dialogue well past when the Knife Angel has left Slough. You may want to talk to your Year 6 pupils about knife crime and safety. All the sessions are FREE to Slough schools.

A letter from Thames Valley Police, which can be sent to parents and guardians will be included as part of additional content next week. Please use this letter if you wish to communicate with parents rather than sending out your own correspondence. We would like to ensure all parents and guardians across Slough receive the same information on the knife angel and the activities planned alongside this.

There will also be opportunities for school leaders to be involved in longer term to help develop solutions to serious youth violence in Slough through the Safer Slough Partnership. If you are interested, please email Mark Wolski, Community Safety Manager at Mark.wolski@slough.gov.uk

<p>Prevention</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Early Knife Crime Intervention Programme (FREE) 15 workshop spaces available for Year 6 <p>www.safetycentre.co.uk</p>	<p>Safety Centre Charity</p>	<p>The sessions empower children and young people to make positive choices in relation to knife crime, and run approximately for 1hr and 15mins. The sessions are age appropriate and delivered by an experienced member of the Safety Centre's Education Team either face to face or remotely into your school for groups of up to 30 students. You can book on this link here: https://forms.gle/cDSRCaQybAZeZuHn8</p>
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