

## Fire Safety Education Session

### Factsheet – KS2

Today Firefighters/Community Fire Safety Practitioners from Lancashire Fire and Rescue Service have visited school and delivered a CHILDSAFE education session to your child's class. This fact sheet tells you about some of the things from that lesson. Please read it and talk about it as a family.

#### What is CHILDSAFE?

CHILDSAFE is an educational package that has been designed to help children and their families stay safe from fire in several ways.

#### About the Key Stage 2 session

As well as reinforcing the safety messages from Key Stage 1 we also

- talked about the role of the fire service in the community;
- highlighted the potential consequences of making hoax calls and deliberate fire-setting;
- directed the children to our interactive film "Chidsafe... in the Home". Please watch this as a family and complete the tasks together.

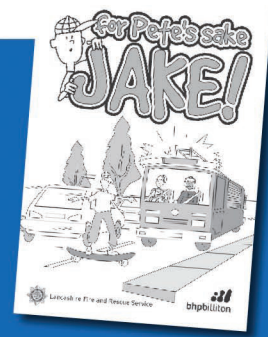
#### The importance of CHILDSAFE and what you can do to help

Whilst the issues covered in the CHILDSAFE sessions can be sensitive to some children they are of great importance. We know from experience that giving children this knowledge in school has had very positive effects in terms of major injuries being avoided to the children and members of their families.

All we ask is for your support and help with regards the work we do with young people by talking to your child about the lesson and further reinforcing the messages at home.

#### Your Fire and Rescue Service and making the Right Choice

Lancashire Fire and Rescue Service are here to help you 24 hours a day, 365 days a year but at times we have our time wasted and/or lives of the public and firefighters are put in danger unnecessarily. Making a hoax call, setting fire to something deliberately (arson) and attacking a firefighter are all criminal offences and from the age of 10 this can lead to prosecution. Please encourage everyone you care for and know to act responsibly and make the right choice. Please help us make Lancashire safer.



You can view and print out the For Pete's Sake Jake activity booklet from our website:  
[www.lancsfirerescue.org.uk/chidsafe/](http://www.lancsfirerescue.org.uk/chidsafe/)

Here are some Top Tips linked to what your child learnt in the CHILDSAFE session - why not display this side on the kitchen noticeboard, or another suitable place, where everyone can see it.



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### Do you have a working Smoke Alarm?

- A smoke alarm won't necessarily save your life but a working one will give you a much better chance of escape should a fire start

#### Remember to:

- Test your alarm weekly
- Regularly clean your smoke alarm – use a vacuum cleaner with a soft brush



### Did you know ...?

Lancashire Fire and Rescue Service offer a FREE Home Fire Safety Check visit to all residents of Lancashire. We offer safety advice and will provide and fit smoke alarms where they are needed. Call **FREE** on **0800 169 1125** - please quote ref code: CSDVD

### Have a Bedtime Routine

- Close all inside doors - closed doors slow down a fire giving you more chance to escape
- Unplug things that use electricity but not things like fridges and freezers
- Check the cooker is off
- Do not leave the washing machine, dishwasher or tumble dryer on at night
- Turn off heaters
- Make sure lit things such as fires, cigarettes and candles are out
- Check the route to the outside is clear
- Put keys where everyone can find them



Put them out.  
Right out!

### Have an Escape Action Plan

- Plan an escape route and make sure that your children, and anyone staying with you, know it - this includes babysitters and childminders
- Practise the escape plan together as a family
- Be careful to keep all exits clear
- Keep keys where everyone can find them
- Think about how you would get out if your normal escape route is blocked



Plan an  
escape route

### How else we can help

Lancashire Fire and Rescue Service are able to offer support and advice to people who are worried that someone in their family has an unhealthy interest in fire through their FIRES Programme. Should you be concerned about someone you have regular contact with please contact **01772 866898** or your local fire station for further information.

### Remember

- Make sure you have smoke alarms and they work
- Have a Bedtime Routine
- Work out and practise your Escape Action Plans
- We can help you do all this - Book a Home Fire Safety Check **0800 169 1125** - please quote ref code: CSDVD

For more information and advice visit our websites : [www.lancsfirerescue.org.uk](http://www.lancsfirerescue.org.uk)



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