



Safeguarding,
Health and Safety
Consultants

The Safety Scene

Making Sense of Safeguarding

Spring has finally sprung and it's all looking very green and new out there. Lots of issues on the horizon during this coming term with new and revised Policies and procedures: Restrictive interventions etc. which comes into force on 1 April; Supporting pupils with medical conditions; new Allergy Policy and procedures; Keeping Children Safe in Education - all coming in on 1 September 2026. We will be working hard to ensure that all these documents reach you within the required timescales once the consultations have ended and the new statutory guidance has been published. A reminder that you can send older versions of many of your policies and procedures in to Courtney for free updating, please see the last page of this newsletter for details.

We look forward to working with you over the coming term. Have a great one.

Best wishes and take care.

Kym Allan

Star Performers

Every term, audit results get better and better! Congratulations to the following schools for their outstanding H&S audit results:



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Laws, Guidance and In-Court

Stronger protections for children with allergies in schools

March 2026 new guidance press release was issued by the DfE: [Source](#)

The 3 new statutory requirements mean for the first time schools must:

- stock “spare” adrenaline auto-injectors for use in emergency situations (minimum 2 on site). Any pharmacies can supply them and the pens are approx. £70 each.
- provide allergy awareness training for all staff. Training must cover recognition of symptoms, emergency response and the use of adrenaline devices, alongside improved incident recording and lessons learnt processes.
E.g. [Beat Anaphylaxis](#) | [AllergyWise](#) | [National College](#)
- have a comprehensive policy for supporting children with medical conditions, including Individual Healthcare Plans to record specific arrangements for individuals like an allergy management plan. Subscribers can contact courtney.allan@kymallanhsc.co.uk for a model policy or for your policy to be updated for [free](#). The Policy and procedures will need to be published on the school website.

Check the GAS SAFE REGISTER before work starts



Man sentenced after illegal gas work put family at risk - [Source](#)

installation of a boiler and pipes at a home in Ulverston without proper registration, causing three gas leaks.

Result: 12-month community order with 200 hours of unpaid work and £2,000 in costs.

Man handed suspended sentence after illegal boiler replacement risks carbon monoxide leak - [Source](#)

Illegally moving a boiler and flue, creating a serious carbon monoxide risk.

Result: 10-month suspended sentence and must pay nearly £11,000 in costs and compensation

Man jailed after dangerous and illegal gas work put pensioner at risk - [Source](#)

Illegally installing a boiler at a home and issuing a fake safety certificate. He had ignored previous warnings and wasn't Gas Safe registered.

Result: jailed for 12 months

School safety reminder: Always check engineers on the [Gas Safe Register](#) before work starts to keep pupils, staff, and families safe.

Speaking of contractors and visitors...

We held a 'Managing contractors and visitors on school site' webinar on 17th March, this was a 1hr webinar with Carolyn Eyre and covered identity checks, DBS requirements etc. You can purchase a recording with associated materials for just £20 + VAT. Please e-mail courtney.allan@kymallanhsc.co.uk for a copy.

social media spotlight:

KICK

Kick is a live-streaming platform where users broadcast live video while viewers watch and interact through real-time chat. The platform is similar in style to Twitch and has grown quickly due to its popularity with gaming streamers and online influencers, it was built as direct competition to Twitch, in which Adin paid streamers and celebrities hundreds of thousands, and sometimes millions, to stream on his new platform. Kick was going to compete by being cheap, but also by being more relaxed in terms of regulations/rules/banning of streams.

Content on Kick often includes gaming streams, “IRL” (in real life) content, commentary and reaction videos. Because streams are live, viewers can communicate directly with streamers and other users during broadcasts.

Live streaming platform | 13+ age rating | Not specifically designed for children | Live chat allows interaction with strangers | Less strict moderation reported compared with other platforms | Some streams may include gambling, adult language or mature themes.

Kick has one standard price for a monthly subscription of £3.75. For this subscribers get ad-free viewing, subscriber-only chat and subscriber badges, otherwise it can be watched for free.

The top 3 viewed English speaking channels as of Feb/Mar 2026 were TJR, Adin Ross (Owner of Kick) and HSTikkyTokky.

GOV.UK Campaign: Kids Online Safety

New ‘Kids Online Safety’ website launched as part of government campaign

Launched in February 2026, this site is aimed at supporting families and encouraging regular conversations about what they’re seeing online, asking simple questions, like “who shared this?” and “why?”.

Based on parents’ main concerns and needs, it provides:

- tips for parents’ conversations with their children
- actions to support each stage of their child’s life
- parental controls information

On the site, there is signposting to trusted resources from charities and third parties, where parents can access other forms of support (like speaking to an expert).

The website will continue to grow and be developed in 2026, supporting the Online Safety Act and wider government aims.

visit here: <https://kidsonlinesafety.campaign.gov.uk/>

Understanding critical
thinking

Spotting emotional
triggers

who posted this?
Why? Is it real?

Algorithms/online
bubbles

Parental Controls



FREE STUFF



The Allergy Team: 1 hour Free Allergy webinar and Q&A for schools

23rd April | 3rd June | 8th July | 15th September | 5th November

The sessions covers:

- What you will need in place
- how to create a whole-school approach and robust systems that work in practice
- How to stress-test your procedures with a anaphylaxis drill
- Q&A

For more information or to book visit: <https://theallergyteam.com/free-allergy-webinar-for-schools/>

Half Day Online Training

Understanding Suicide Bereavement

Compassion and skills for frontline workers supporting people bereaved by suicide

Every
life
matters

The sessions covers:

- Why bereavement by suicide is a unique loss and how best to support those bereaved by suicide.
- How to feel more confident and comfortable engaging with and supporting someone bereaved by suicide.
- How to increase your knowledge of grief, especially in relation to suicide bereavement and issues particular to this form of grief.
- Understanding more about local and national suicide bereavement support resources.

The session (2 July, 0930 - 1230) will include small and large group discussion, video lived experience input and PowerPoint based learning via Zoom.

Click here to book: [Understanding Suicide Bereavement](#)

Teen Wellbeing Guide for Parents and Carers

A guide to help parents/carers support a young person with their wellbeing. It will equip parents/carers with knowledge, guidance and point to where they can get more support where the young person needs a little extra help.

This free guide covers:

Depression | Anxiety | School refusal | digital teens | Drug, Alcohol and vaping | Disordered Eating | Sexuality and Identity | Life Events | Help them to help themselves | Exam pressure | Much more

The free guide can be found here: [Every Life Matters Teen wellbeing guide](#)





<https://www.cheshireandmerseyside.nhs.uk/your-health/helping-you-stay-well/asthma/>

Any questions regarding Asthma or supporting pupils with medical conditions please e-mail: penny.gosling@kymallanhsc.co.uk

Latest Product Recalls

Burkholderia is a bacteria that rarely causes harm in healthy people but sometimes causes serious infections, particularly for those with certain medical conditions.

These four **non-sterile** products should not be used under any circumstances:

- ValueAid Alcohol Free Cleansing Wipes
- Microsafe Moist Wipe Alcohol Free
- Steroplast Sterowipe Alcohol Free Cleansing Wipes
- Reliwipe Alcohol Free Cleansing Wipes (testing revealed contamination with a Burkholderia strain not related to the outbreak cases)

The MHRA issued notices to the sellers of these products in July 2025, resulting in their withdrawal from sale. However, some of these products may still remain in some first aid kits and in people's homes.

Additionally, UKHSA and MHRA would like to remind people that **non-sterile** alcohol-free wipes, of any type or brand, should not be used for first aid or applied on broken or damaged skin.

Source



a Product Recall for the Hobbycraft Giant Box of Craft - Hobbycraft Giant Box of Craft (PSD case number 2601-0364) - vials of coloured sand included in the product, which may be contaminated with asbestos.

Consumers are advised to stop using the product immediately and keep it out of the reach of children. If the sand has been used, clean up sites where the product was used using wet cloths to avoid generating dust. Wear gloves and a mask. Double bag the sand, gloves, mask and cloths. Keep children and other people away from areas where the sand has been used until the area has been cleaned.

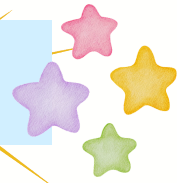
Childcare providers are encouraged to share this recall with parents and carers to reduce the risk of harm

[Hobbycraft Giant Box of Craft \(2601-0364\) - GOV.UK.](#)

PepsiCo are recalling their Walkers Hot Honey Crisps 6-pack from sale because some packs may contain 'Mild cheese and onion seasoning' which contains milk and is not mentioned on the label. The product is not suitable for and should be avoided by anyone with an allergy or intolerance to **milk**. Use by date: 16 May 2026; Batch code GBB584 031.



The Secondary School Audit Checklist: 10 Tips for Success



1. Read, follow and share as appropriate the pre-audit information provided by Helen Blamire.
2. Gather relevant documents together ahead of the Audit (either electronic or paper-based) so these can be easily accessed on the day.
3. Appoint an audit lead for the day and someone able to escort the 2nd auditor around the school.
4. Prepare and advise key staff including HoDs, technicians, DSLs etc. of the audit date and availability on the day.
5. Ensure key departments are aware of the audit (DT, Science, PE, Drama, Food Tech, Art, Catering and Cleaning/Facilities Management will all be visited on the day.)
6. Check to see if departments are aware of and familiar with their departmental risk assessments.
7. Use CLEAPSS as a guide for DT, Science, Art and Food Technology risk assessments but do not rely totally upon the CLEAPSS model risk assessments. Evidence of adapting or annotating these to reflect local practice in school will be expected. Ensure the most up to date CLEAPSS model risk assessments are in use.
8. Ensure details of staff and Governor safeguarding and health and safety training are available on the day for inspection.
9. Ensure any contractors in school daily such as catering or cleaning contractors are briefed of the audit beforehand.
10. Avoid relying on one key person within school to manage health and safety; by all means have a lead health and safety co-ordinator but departments should be responsible for their own health and safety including risk assessments.



Second-Hand Bargain or Safety Risk? RoSPA's Guide

Second-hand goods have become increasingly popular from charity shops, Facebook, reuse/environmental companies.

RoSPA has compiled important safety advice and risks to consider so you can protect yourself as much as possible when buying used products, while saving money and the environment!

- Test all second-hand electrical items with an electrical test and a visual inspection of cables, plugs and mechanisms.
- Check the product number for any recalls.
- All toys **MUST** have CE mark or UKCA mark. If it does not have either of these marks, don't buy or accept it.
- Check online for manufacturer instructions for toys for the age range of the product, particularly EYFS to determine whether it is suitable for children under 36 months due to choking hazards, and other safety warnings.
- To get rid of germs, give all toys a good wash, even if they look clean.
- All soft furniture **MUST** have a fire label, If it doesn't have a label, it may not comply with the fire safety regulations.
- Child car seats, helmets and other protective headgear should never be bought second hand unless you are assured of their history because they are one hit products (including dropping).



New Online Safeguarding Refresher from NSPCC

NSPCC Learning has launched a new online training course to help anyone working or volunteering with children and young people to refresh their safeguarding knowledge.

The course covers:

- what safeguarding and child protection mean;
- how to recognise the signs and indicators of abuse and neglect;
- what steps you must take to respond to safeguarding concerns;
- how and when to report a concern; and how to keep clear and detailed records.

This course is designed for those who have previously completed child protection training, providing a concise overview and key updates in safeguarding and child protection practice.

Take the course: [Safeguarding refresher training](#) | £25 + VAT per person

New NSPCC Masterclass: Recognising and Responding to Misogyny

Access the masterclass: [Tackling misogyny masterclass](#) | £20 + VAT per person.

NSPCC Learning has launched a new online masterclass on recognising and responding to misogyny, sexism and gender-based hate.

The on-demand training session explores:

- what misogyny means and why it is a safeguarding issue;
- the impact it has on children and young people;
- how to recognise the signs.

Talking Puberty: Support for Parents and Carers of Young People with Learning Disabilities

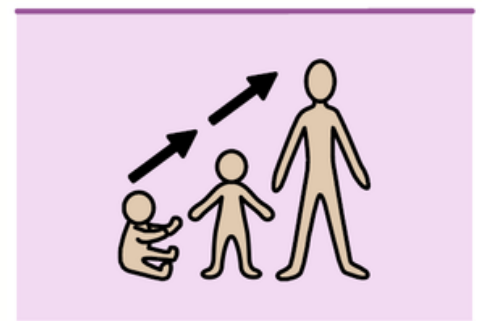
Access the resources: [Navigating puberty and sexual development](#)

Children and young people who have a learning disability can experience increased challenges before or during puberty, from understanding the changes in their bodies to expressing their feelings and managing the difference between public and private behaviours. These resources are straight forward learning tools to help support young people and changes they may be experiencing.

The resources cover:

Body hair | Masturbation | Private parts | Odour | My body | Periods | Wet dreams | Behaviours | and more

These places are public.



This is happening because I am growing up.

KAHSC Audits

As we continue to prioritise your safety and compliance, we also strive to ensure the smooth and efficient operation of our services. With this in mind, we are announcing an important update to our cancellation policy for health and safety audits.

Any cancellations of audits made within **four weeks** of the agreed date will incur a cancellation fee of £150 + VAT. This policy change is a necessary step to manage our resources more effectively and to accommodate the high demand for our services. Our team invests a substantial amount of time in preparation for each audit. As many of you know, we are currently booked up until Summer 2026, and this new policy will help us maintain the highest standards of service for all.

We understand that circumstances can change unexpectedly. To avoid incurring the cancellation fee, we encourage you to review your schedules carefully and inform us as early as possible if you need to reschedule or cancel your audit. This will allow us to adjust our schedules accordingly and possibly accommodate other clients who are in urgent need of our services.

Finally, it is crucial that schools prepare in advance for their health and safety audit. Information on what is required on the day is sent out well in advance and appropriate preparation will save the auditor and school significant time on the day.

KAHSC Training

Due to awarding body requirements, we ask that all training is attended in full to successfully complete the course. We completely understand that life happens and emergencies can come up, with that in mind, we kindly encourage everyone booking onto training to double-check the timings for each course listed on our [box office page](#).

If you do need to miss part of a session because of an emergency, we can sometimes arrange a recap session either in person or online via Zoom. To make sure we can give you the time you need, any additional recap time scheduled after the main training will be charged at our standard hourly rate.

if you are concerned about anything regarding training booked, please email courtney.allan@kymallanhsc.co.uk as soon as possible.

Changes to IOSH: March 2026



IOSH have made changes to their registration process when booking onto courses and now require each attendee to register BEFORE the course with their name and date and birth.

Previously we were able to register after the course to account for attendee swaps and last minute bookings. Any requests for dates of birth from courtney.allan@kymallanhsc.co.uk or gordon.hastings@kymallanhsc.co.uk are legitimate.

IOSH have also issued an apology video about the delays and miscommunication due to changes to their structure and website, describing it as a 'once in a generation change', we have certificates from over 1 month ago outstanding, if you are waiting for a certificate we appreciate your patience and will have them sent out as soon as possible.

Upcoming training



Health & Safety Essentials for SLT & Administrators - Wigton

Thu 23 Apr 2026 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM

📍 Greenhill Hotel, Wigton, CA7 8LS

[Info](#) | [Buy](#)



Sharing child protection information with Carolyn Eyre via Zoom

Tue 28 Apr 2026 9:00 AM - 10:15 AM

📍 Online, Zoom

[Info](#) | [Buy](#)



1 day IOSH Safety & Health Management in Education Refresher - Kendal

Thu 14 May 2026 9:30 AM - 4:30 PM

📍 Kendal

[Info](#) | [Buy](#)



2 day IOSH Safety & Health Management in Education - Wigton

Wed 10 Jun 2026 9:30 AM - Wed 17 Jun 2026

📍 Greenhill Hotel, Wigton, CA7 8LS

[Info](#) | [Buy](#)

Recordings available to purchase



Effective reference seeking

1 hour | Recording to keep forever | £25 + VAT



Managing Contractors and visitor checks

1.15 hour | Recording to keep forever | £25 + VAT

E-mail courtney.allan@kymallanhsc.co.uk for a copy

Book all open training at our box office:

www.tickettailor.com/events/kahsc



KAHSC additional services

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Policies

We understand that you are all under a great deal of pressure and that it is difficult to keep up with changes to policies and procedures. If you are unsure about the status of your policies and procedures and are using our models, then we can update or revise them as **part of your SLA with KAHSC**. Our main policies can be found on the right.

If you would like to take up this service, please send your policies to courtney.allan@kymallanhsc.co.uk in WORD format.

Fire Risk Assessments

If you have not recently had a Fire Risk Assessment or would like a review of your current FRA please feel free to get in touch with courtney.allan@kymallanhsc.co.uk who can arrange for a risk assessment to be undertaken. Prices from £250 + VAT and based on the size of school.

Health and Safety Audits (LA schools)

If you are a Community or Voluntary Controlled School and are due an LA Health & Safety Audit, we can carry out a 'Pre-LA Audit' to help you get prepared. This service is **FREE** to subscribing schools.

Please contact Laura.sharp@kymallanhsc.co.uk for more information.

Single Central Record

We can check and amend your SCR for a small fee of £55 + VAT to make sure you are compliant with the most up to date guidance.

Please contact kym@kymallanhsc.co.uk for more information.

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Behaviour

Charging and remissions

Child on child abuse

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