

14 January 2021



Dear Parent/Guardian

### **Dover Youth Hub**

As a school we work closely with the brilliant Dover Youth Hub, which offers many forms of pastoral support for our own young people as well as those in local schools - both in and out of school hours. You or your child may recognise the name Clive – Clive is our Youth Engagement Tutor, who does 1:1 and group mentoring with our students.

At this time, whilst young people are limited to who they can see, we are aware that positive mental health and the opportunity to talk to others is really important - vital social interaction that they are missing out on with schools closed. Clive and the Dover Youth Hub team have come up with a new idea, which we are pleased to advertise to Sandwich Technology School students.

We know that internet-linked games consoles are popular with students as a way of communicating with others. To that end, every Monday to Friday 12 to 1 pm starting 18th January 2021, Clive and another member of the Youth Hub will be 'present' on the internet game Fortnite (parental rating 12+). Young people can be playing this game, as they normally would, and know that they have two members of the Dover Youth Hub there to talk to. Clive has found that this was already naturally happening and young people were taking the chance to interact with peers and talk about how they felt so he wants to offer this to as many young people from Sandwich Technology School as need it. As a school, we support this activity as a much needed 'lunch time' activity that our students may wish to do when having their break from the remote lessons.

For a young person to take part in this, Clive will need parents to complete the attached consent form and read, together with your child, the handbook. Once filled out the form should be emailed to both the email addresses below. When Clive has the consent form he will invite students at 12 from Monday to Friday to a game (if they are online at the time) which is a private lobby for those students who have agreed the terms and conditions and sent the form back.

Please note that the school are in support of this scheme but all content is led by Dover Youth Hub, therefore any queries should be directed to Clive Birnie at [DoverYouthHub@kent.gov.uk](mailto:DoverYouthHub@kent.gov.uk) or [clive.birnie@kent.gov.uk](mailto:clive.birnie@kent.gov.uk).

Yours faithfully

Lucy Wanstall  
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**EARLY HELP AND PREVENTATIVE SERVICE  
 CONSENT FORM FOR PARTICIPANTS  
 TAKING PART IN ONLINE YOUTH HUB SESSIONS**



I agree to (full name) \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_

Child's Mobile \_\_\_\_\_

The email address to be used is: \_\_\_\_\_

The Gamer's Username to be used is: (case sensitive) \_\_\_\_\_

Taking part in online youth sessions organised by a KCC Youth Hub.

Please tick appropriate platform;

MS Teams		Instagram Chat		Facebook rooms	
Xbox Live		PS4 Live		Gaming PC	
Age appropriate games, such as Fortnite (12+)			Age appropriate games, such as Minecraft (PG)		

- ✓ I am aware that my child will need to download the MS Teams App and agree to this
- ✓ I am aware that my child will need to provide the youth team with an **email address** so they can be invited to youth sessions using Microsoft Teams.
- ✓ I am aware that I am responsible for Internet access wi-fi at my home address.
- ✓ I am aware that my child will need to provide the youth team with the **username** so they can be invited to youth sessions private room.
- ✓ I confirm I have read and agree with the parent's agreement in the digital youth work guide **YES/NO**
- ✓ I confirm my child has read, understands and agrees with the young person's agreement in the digital youth work guide. **YES/NO**

**Photographs and Digital Recordings**

The code of conduct for the youth sessions request that no recordings or photographs are taken/made during the sessions however this is a risk whilst online. The Youth Workers will remain vigilant to threats and alert you to any possible breaches if known.

**GDPR**

Our Children's Centres and Youth Hubs/services work in an integrated way with other children's services teams in KCC and with partner organisations to ensure we deliver the best possible outcomes for children, young people and families in Kent.

We collect and use your personal information to carry out tasks in the public interest. If we need to collect special category (sensitive) personal information, we rely upon reasons of substantial public interest (equality of opportunity or treatment).

We use your information to: Enable integrated working with other teams and organizations to ensure you receive the right support at the right time; plan and provide the most appropriate level of support to you and your family; and evaluate and quality assure the services we provide.

We may share your information with: Teams within Kent County Council working to improve outcomes for children and young people; commissioned providers of local authority services; schools; and partner organisations signed up to the Kent & Medway Information Sharing Agreement, where necessary, which may include health, housing providers, Police, school nurses, doctors and mental health workers.

**Declaration**

Young Person Sign:	_____	Date:	_____
Parent Sign:	_____	Date:	_____
Parent Full name (print):	_____		
Address	_____	Post Code:	_____
Contact Phone Number	_____		
Parent Email address:	_____		

I am / I am not happy for the Youth Hub to send emails that may be relevant to me or my child.

Please email this consent form to [DoverYouthHub@kent.gov.uk](mailto:DoverYouthHub@kent.gov.uk) and [clive.birnie@kent.gov.uk](mailto:clive.birnie@kent.gov.uk)

Thank you.