



An Introduction to Wokingham Virtual School



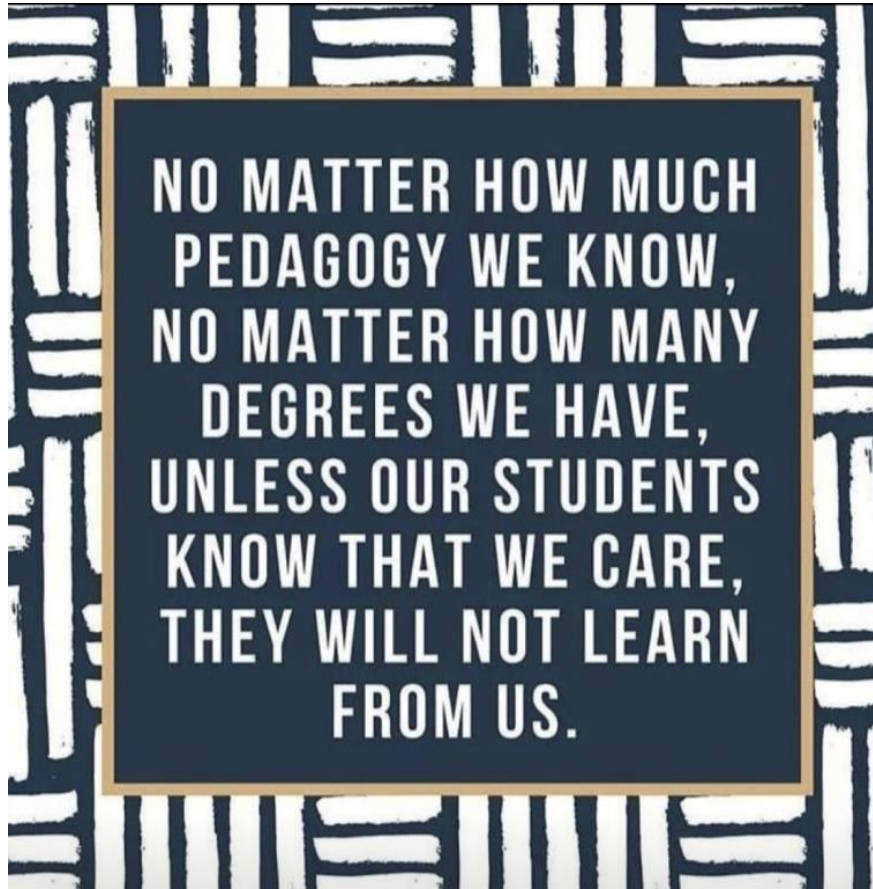
AGENDA

- A quick history into Ruth



- When were Virtual Schools established and why: looking at purpose
- How can background significantly impact a child's ability?
- Extension to role of the Virtual School
- What you can do





My background



Education Welfare

Children Social Care



TVP



Annexe Project



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Reform CSC

- NSPCC Learning has published a CASPAR briefing summarising the government's proposals to reform social care in England
- Currently out for consultation
- [Government plans to reform children's social care in England: CASPAR briefing](#)



The Marriage and Civil Partnership (minimum age) Act

- New law preventing 16 and 17 years old from marrying or entering a civil partnership, even if they have parental consent
- Campaigners hail law raising age of marriage to 18 in England and Wales. Now illegal for 16- and 17-year-olds to marry or enter a civil partnership, even with parental consent



Critical Incidents

- UK Trauma Council has created resources to support educational communities with responding to traumatic events
- Traumatic event considered as something that affects a large part of the whole educational community rather than one or two individuals
- Includes lesson plans, INSET PPT session, guidance, policy and working together with parents and carers resources
- [Critical incidents in Educational Communities](#)



Child well being

- DfE wellbeing report of children and young people over the academic year 2021/2022
- This report also highlights how many of the daily experiences, thoughts, and feelings about school expressed by children and young people reflect their current mental health and wellbeing; **those who feel safe in school, enjoy coming to school, and that they belong in school were less likely to have a mental disorder (NHS Digital, 2022b), and report greater subjective wellbeing (DfE, 2022e)**
- It also includes ideas on how to address the issues presented in the report
- [State of the nation 2022: children and young people's wellbeing](#)



Mental Health & Attendance

- DfE guidance (February 2023)
- [Summary of responsibilities where a mental health issue is affecting attendance](#)



KSCIE Resources

- London Grid for Learning have developed a set of resources for staff, including quizzes
- Can be used throughout the year to help staff to remember the key updates within KCSIE
- [The National Grid for Learning - KCSIE](#)



Young people and eating disorders

- SpurgeonsChildren's Charity has created new animated videos about young people and eating disorders
- They aim to tackle misconceptions around eating disorders and **educate professionals** on how to support young people with the conditions.
- Access the toolkit by clicking the link and 'Get Support'
- [Disordered Eating – Spurgeon's toolkit](#)



Internet Safety, suicide and self-harm

- Free interactive e-learning module to learn about internet safety, suicide and self-harm
- The module was developed in partnership with Health Education England
- Takes around 30 minutes to complete
- [Free e-learning course](#)



Affluent neglect

- Safeguarding children in affluent families
- Research and summary of findings from this work led by Professor Bernard from Goldsmiths University in London
- Article can be found [here](#).



Harms of online pornography

- The Children's Commissioner for England has published a report looking into the **prevalence of pornography exposure among young people and its impacts on children's wellbeing**
- Findings from focus groups with children and young people include some accessing porn by age nine and pornography watched involved sexual violence. **Where they were most likely to see pornography –Twitter, Instagram and Snapchat**
- ■The report suggests approaches to teaching children about pornography should sit within a broader RSE strategy, ensuring that lesson plans are fully informed by children's concerns and experiences
- [‘A lot of it is actually just abuse’-Young people and pornography | Children's Commissioner for England \(childrenscommissioner.gov.uk\)](#)



Online protection checklist for the home

- Internet Watch Foundation have created a checklist to help mitigate the risks related to child protection online at home
- [TALK Checklist by Internet Watch Foundation | Home \(iwf.org.uk\)](https://www.iwf.org.uk/TALK)



Andrew Tate

- Practical tips on how best to broach this subject
- Includes lesson plans and lesson themes
- [How to talk to young people about Andrew Tate — Bold Voices](#)



Children and loneliness

- The NSPCC campaign uses day-in-the-life videos to show how young people experience loneliness and aims to encourage conversations about mental health
- [Childline launches loneliness campaign Day in the Lonely | NSPCC](#)



Media resources

- Emily Attack: Asking for It?
- [BBC Two -Emily Attack: Asking for It?](#)
- Emily is a supporter of the charity Glitch
- Glitch is an award-winning UK charity committed to ending online abuse by educating people on how they can engage positively, respectfully and justly in all digital spaces
- [Glitch -About \(glitchcharity.co.uk\)](#)



Media resources

- Raye –Ice Cream Man
- [Raye -Ice Cream Man | Hottest Record \(Live\) -YouTube](#)
- Lyrics are powerful includes consent
- Song explores sexual assault –she is really open about this in an interview here:
- [BBC Radio 1 -Radio 1's Future Sounds with Clara Amfo, RAYE Hottest Record](#)



LGfL Undressed

- The *undressed* message focusses on **raising awareness in Primary School around the ‘trickery’ by sexual predators playing a game or challenge online involving young children getting undressed**
- Primary School resources including video, lesson plan, assembly, posters, singalong lyric sheet and colouring pages
- [LGfL-DigiSafe](#): Undressed resource | Internet Matters



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The Children's Society

- Website has great free resources & they are able to deliver school assemblies

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A.O.B

- Future meeting dates
- Discussion around face-to-face meeting to support network and contextualisation

