

Police Visit at Whinfell School: Exploring Careers and Staying Safe

Today, we were visited by the Child Centred Police Team and a PCSO who spoke to us about their careers and the various routes into policing.

We learned about many different roles within the police and discovered that their main priority is looking after people—not just catching criminals. Even when someone has a criminal record, the police work hard to support them and help prevent re-offending.

The team also discussed some of the local crimes that can affect young people, such as county lines and drug-related issues. They reminded us that there are people who may try to encourage us to make poor choices, so it's important to be cautious about who we trust.

As part of the visit, we had the chance to experience some aspects of a police officer's daily role. We tried on uniforms, handled batons, and even handcuffed our teachers! We also explored a police van and had fun using the siren and lights.

A big thank you to Cumbria Police for a fantastic and informative day!

