

## Welcome to our Atlantic Community Newsletter!

We have recently held our parent forums, these were incredibly positive and we want to continue to build on this and communicate with our community far more!

In our newsletters we will tackle many of the difficult issues that we face not only as an island community but as part of the wider global community.

We hope to inform you of local, national & international issues that we are all currently facing, together we can do this!

### **Safeguarding Updates for parents/carers: National Hate Crime Awareness Week 9th -16th October 2021**

This week is Hate Crime Awareness Week, originally set up in 2009 to mark the 10th anniversary of the London Nail Bomb attacks in Brixton, Brick Lane and Soho.

educate.against.hate website  
The educate.against.hate website from the DfE has resources for teachers and parents and can be found here:

<https://educateagainsthate.com/>

### **Squid Game (Netflix)**

There have been a lot of media reports this week about Netflix's Squid Game. This is currently the most watched show in 90 countries and nearly all episodes of the '15' rated show contain violent and gruesome scenes.

### **Parents – scare or prepare?**

Scary stuff in the media often creates a sense of alarm which can become self-fulfilling. Although it seems counter-intuitive, it is usually best not to name the frightening content.

You can find further information about managing specific websites and challenges from LGfL here:

<https://safeblog.lgfl.net/2018/11/parents-scare-or-prepare/>

More information from CEOP:

<https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/parents/article/s/theres-a-viral-scare-online-what-should-i-do/>

### **Black history month - October 2021 A historic year**

2020 was a historic year in recognising inequality around the world regarding black history, heritage and culture, and forced many to see the reality of racism.

There were demonstrations around the world in response to the death of George Floyd, a black man who died whilst being stopped by police in



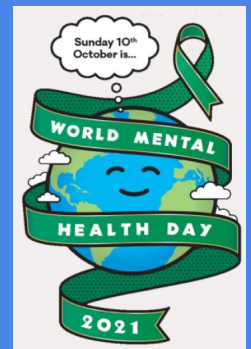
America. The black lives matter demonstrations called for an end to systemic racism, where people are treated differently because they are black.

Premier League footballers have taken the knee in solidarity with the movement

There were calls for statues of white people who contributed to Britians role in the transatlantic slave trade to be removed

### **This week at Atlantic our theme is Mental Health.**

Mental Health applies to us all and it is



essential that we all take steps to look after our mental wellbeing just as we do our physical health. At Atlantic Academy we understand the impact that the pandemic has had on our families. We are here to provide a safe environment for our children and support our parents/carers as much as we can.

**Get involved by sharing our social media graphics or show your support and #PinItForMentalHealth with a green ribbon.**