

Armed Forces Children & Young People

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Welcome to our monthly update for school/nursery staff which provides information on resources available, useful websites, books and organisations, funding opportunities etc. which could help support the young people in your establishment. Please feel free to circulate to staff/colleagues.

PC Drew Omand – Defence Community Police Officer

I am PC Drew Omand and I am the new Defence Community Police Officer (DCPO) for the Churchill and Helensburgh Defence Estates. I have been a Ministry of Defence Police Officer for over seven years, and this has included working on the Clyde Marine Unit and various operations throughout the UK.

My role is to provide community reassurance, improve community safety, and reduce petty crime and anti-social behaviour. I will be working very closely with other agencies such as Police Scotland to ensure we maintain local confidence in the community.

The role of a DCPO in my opinion a vital one. We want service personnel to go on deployment knowing that their families and properties are safe. This allows the service personnel to concentrate on their role without any distractions or niggling concerns.

I will engage with the local youngsters by visiting local schools/nursery's/brownies/cubs/beavers/boy's brigades to give talks on several topics such as road safety and internet safety.

I will be based at the Police Office within Churchill Square if there are any queries or concerns. Don't hesitate to pop in!

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Toolkit from Forces Children Education

A new guidance document packed with advice and help for educators has been launched by Forces Children's Education (FCE).

The Toolkit for Teachers has been developed to help staff answer the questions they will have when a pupil from an Armed Forces family joins their school.

Understanding these students and their unique experiences and challenges is vital to help them gain the knowledge, skills and resilience they need to reach their full potential.

The toolkit aims to provide insights into Armed Forces children, improve outcomes for them and provide professional development and resources.

To download the toolkit please click on the following link:-

[NEW Toolkit and advice for Teachers | Forces Children's Education \(forceschildrenseducation.org.uk\)](https://forceschildrenseducation.org.uk)



Toolkit for teachers



Forces Children Scotland

The voice of Pre-school/Early Years, Primary School and Secondary School pupils leaflets are available to download:-

[RCET-Teen-Talks-leafletandposter A3 Primary-LS.pdf \(forceschildrenscotland.org.uk\)](https://forceschildrenscotland.org.uk)

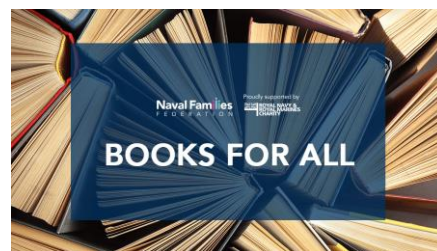
[RCET-Teen-Talks-leafletandposter A3 Teeny-LS.pdf \(forceschildrenscotland.org.uk\)](https://forceschildrenscotland.org.uk)

[2018.03-RCET-Teen-Talks-Leaflet.pdf \(forceschildrenscotland.org.uk\)](https://forceschildrenscotland.org.uk)

For more FCS resources please click on the following link [Forces Children Scotland – Supporting children and young people from serving, reservist and veteran families](https://forceschildrenscotland.org.uk)

NFF – Books for All Project

This project, funded by RNRMC, aims to provide currently serving Royal Navy and Royal Marines (RN/RM) families, Nurseries and Schools with resources to support resilience and enhance coping strategies during periods of separation and deployment.



Guidelines for Schools/Nurseries: Limited to 10 books per school/nursery, staff are welcome to put these in their library or use them in any particular work they do with Service children.

Please visit www.nff.org.uk/books-for-all for further information, to view the list of books available and to complete the application form.

If you would like further information on any of the above then please contact:-

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