

Community Safety News

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Children educate us on E-safety

Sevenoaks District Council ran an E-safety poster competition throughout January for schools and youth groups to promote Internet Safety Day on **Tuesday 10 February**.

The poster competition was designed to highlight the rules of internet safety and to stay safe, but have fun on the internet. The competition was aimed at 2 age groups: 7-8 and 9-11 year olds.

We received over 100 posters from schools across the District and on Thursday 5 February, they were judged by Kerry Boyd - PCC Youth Commissioner, District Chairman - Cllr Jill Davison and Gabriel Shepherd from The Chronicle Newspaper.

The six winners attended a presentation ceremony on Tuesday 10 February.

Adia McClimont, won the 7-8 age group, with Elizabeth Gouth coming second and Tilly Sweeting coming third.

Jasmine Perry, won the 9-11 age group, with Hannah Firth coming second and Robin Zijdenbos coming third.

Cllr Jill Davison gave the winner from each age group a £25 book token with a £15 token for second place and £10 for third place.



Free Family Fun 'Eggstravaganza'!

During the Easter school holidays, we will once again be running our popular, free Family Fun Days.

There will be four fun days where the family can try its hand at crafts, biscuit making, face painting, games, sport and more!

The days are ideal for parents and carers who are looking to keep children busy over the Easter break in a friendly and safe environment. There's no booking for these events, simply turn up and enjoy what's on offer! Children must be supervised by a parent or carer at all times.

They will be held at:

- Tuesday 7 April 10am to 2pm Village Hall, Gamecock Meadow, West Kingsdown, TN15 6BZ
- Wednesday 8 April 10am to 2pm Rickards Hall, High Street, Edenbridge, TN8 5AR
- Thursday 9 April 10am to 2pm Horton Kirby & South Darenth Hall, Horton Rd, South Darenth, DA4 9AX
- Friday 10 April 10am to 2pm Eynsford Village Hall, High Street, Eynsford, DA4 0AA

Nominate Your Unsung Heroes



The Council is working in partnership with Voluntary and Community Organisations in the Sevenoaks District to host its first annual awards to highlight the great work of individual volunteers and community and volunteering organisations and we need you to start nominating.

There are 8 categories and the deadline for nominations is **Thursday 30 April**.
The categories are:-

Charity Project of the Year

This award is for any voluntary sector project that operates in the Sevenoaks District. Nominations can be received from staff, volunteers or from those who benefit from the project or by the charity itself.

Best Community Club/Group of the Year

Is there a group of people who are the life blood of your community? This award is for groups who can always be relied upon to help out at events, raise funds or campaign on local issues.

Young Volunteer of the Year

This award is for a young person aged 24 or under who stands out as someone with very special qualities. They may give up their spare time to volunteer, or contribute to the welfare of others or their community as a whole.

Best Business in the Community

This award is for companies that can demonstrate commitment to having a positive impact on their community through supporting local issues or causes, voluntary or fundraising activities.

Individual Community Champion

This award is for individuals who make a special effort to enhance other people's lives. They may do something that is particularly meaningful to their community or beneficial to the environment in which they live – they are that 'unsung' hero who deserves to be recognised.

Lifetime achievement

There are people in the District who have been making a vital contribution to their community for many years and this award aims to recognise their contribution. Who in your community has been going out of their way to help others for ten years or more?



Community Safety

This award is for individuals or a group who have volunteered to address community safety issues, by setting a project up for young people, community litter picks, neighbourhood watch, speed watch initiative or another community safety project.

Sports/Health and Wellbeing

This award is for individuals or clubs or organisations who have supported others to achieve recognition through sports, or helped people get fit and active through keep fit groups.

You can nominate in more than one category. To enter and place a nomination either nominate on line at www.sevenoaks.gov.uk/communityawards or ask for a nomination form at communities@sevenoaks.gov.uk

The award ceremony will be held on **Thursday 11 June at the Plaza Suite, Stag Theatre, Sevenoaks**.

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