

Dear coastal schools in Norfolk and Suffolk

As a school in a coastal county, I wanted to get in touch on behalf of the Royal National Lifeboat Institution's (RNLI) Water Safety Team. My name is Liam and I work in your region to improve safety on and beside the water. I personally have arranged or delivered beach safety talks at all of your schools over the last few years, and was hoping this year you might help me get some crucial safety information out digitally.

This summer, our Lifeguards can't be on every beach, meaning a heightened water safety risk to beach goers.

It is anticipated that once restrictions further ease and the summer weather is here, people will head to the beaches and coastline to enjoy the sun, sea and time with friends and family. In a normal year, the RNLI helps thousands of people who end up getting into difficulty in or close to the water when doing these types of activities.

Below are a few ways we can reach and educate people at home to hopefully keep them safe this summer

- **Download** and use our [education resource pack](#). Educating young people about how to keep safe, in on and around water is fundamental to saving lives at sea and a core part of the RNLI's water safety activity. This term we have put together two downloadable packs of resources focusing on **keeping safe this Summer**. This will help your teams engage young people with essential – and lifesaving – water safety lessons in schools and as part of home school packs.
- **Share** a link to our [Water Safety from Home resources](#) - If you're a parent or teacher looking for ways to engage, educate and entertain your children at home, play our Water Safety Wednesday series – perfect for primary school-aged children.
- Please help by **sharing** the RNLI & MCA's [Beach Safety Campaign](#) with parents, guardians and your wider network. Beach lifeguards cannot be everywhere this summer – although we are hoping to patrol around 70 beaches later this year – it is vital every one of us takes responsibility for our own, and our families', safety.

Finally, I would like to thank you and your teams for all that you are doing to support our community through this unprecedented situation.

Kindest regards,

Liam Fayle-Parr

RNLI Water Safety – North and East