



Dear parents and carers

You are receiving this letter because your child's Rainbow, Brownie, Guide or Ranger unit is planning to undertake the Devon & Cornwall Police Challenge Badge. The police challenge activities have been designed by representatives from Girlguiding and the police, and various activities are aimed at different age groups – guidance is provided throughout the pack, but ultimately the pack has been created so that unit leaders can decide which activities are best suited to their unit members and adjust them slightly if required.

The police challenge badge aims to raise awareness amongst children and young people of who the police are, and what they do. It also aims to empower children to be curious, ask questions and challenge the police on issues that they care about, while learning more about public service, community, and careers in policing. The badge also aims to teach children about personal safety, and how they can keep themselves safe while also looking out for the safety and wellbeing of others.

Due to the nature of policing, there are some activities within the pack that may touch on some sensitive topics. This may raise questions or encourage discussion from the children. We would encourage open, honest, and sensitive conversations where appropriate, however we understand that you as parents and carers know your children best, so if you are concerned about your child engaging with any specific activities within the pack, please speak to your unit leader about adapting the activity or selecting a different activity instead. There are multiple possible activity options for each age group and each section, and activities can easily be adapted to meet the unit's needs.

Thank you for supporting your child to engage with the Devon & Cornwall Police Challenge Badge – we hope they find it informative, educational, thought-provoking, and most of all fun!

Yours sincerely

Devon & Cornwall Police Challenge Badge Team

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