





## Safe Drive, Stay Alive Presentation, Wednesday 2nd October 2019 The Leaf Studio .

In an effort to educate Dorset's young drivers about their actions and possible consequences whilst they are driving, Dorset & Wiltshire Fire and Rescue Service and their community safety partners are presenting a hard-hitting event titled "Safe Drive, Stay Alive". The Leaf Studio has allowed us the opportunity to give the students this experience on Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> October 2019. Each "Safe Drive, Stay Alive" presentation is based around a video reconstruction of a road traffic collision. This video is interspersed with on stage, real life testimonies by serving members of the emergency services. Also, and perhaps most poignantly, stories are told by the parent of a young person who lost their life in a road traffic collision.

An alarming 20% of drivers crash in their first year of driving. So the presentation has been designed to deliver hard-hitting messages to young drivers by making them aware of their responsibilities on the road and the potentially lethal results of failing to do so. Some students may find this distressing.

We have asked the school to make tutors available to offer guidance and support for any pupils who require reassurance. Parents and guardians are encouraged to talk through the day's events with their young people in order to reflect and provide a positive conclusion.

Parents and guardians may contact the school with any concerns they may have and for guidance and additional support.

Finally, we are proud to promote the LifeDrive course offered by BCP Council and strongly encourage young drivers to apply for this brilliant opportunity.

For details about the next free course email: <u>helen@lifedriveuk.org</u> or visit the website: <u>www.lifedriveuk.org</u>

