Barnardo’s Independent Child Trafficking Guardianship Service have been working hard to develop creative ways to continue their support for children and young people across all of our sites.

We are sharing much of what we do on Twitter so if you’d like to keep up to date on what we are up to please follow us: @Barnardos_NCTS

Direct Work ICTGs

Our direct work ICTG’s have been helping young people to get online safely either using their own devices or supported by foster carers and residential staff and using a range of different platforms.

Now that we are set up online ICTG’s have been able to continue with one to one sessions which means they can respond to the needs of individual young people and continue to build consistent relationships and offer support.
Some of our support involves foster carers, helping them to continue to build their relationships with young people and helping them to access online resources.

ICTG’s have also been able to safely link together young people from across all our sites through groupwork activities which are helping to maintain social links and reduce isolation. We’ve also established education sessions which are making a massive difference for young people who want to continue their ESOL learning.
We are also keeping in touch with young people by post, finding and creating resources tailored to meet young people’s needs.

We have created a pack for any young person referred to the service during this period; the pack includes small items to welcome them and a letter translated into the appropriate language which introduces the service and the ICTG role.

ICTG Regional Practice Co-ordinators

Our Regional Practice Co-ordinators continue to support professionals in their work with children and young people at risk from criminal and sexual exploitation. They are engaging through attendance at online meetings and one to one consultations by phone which have resulted in positive outcomes for children and young people.
We are in the process of planning online briefings and awareness-raising sessions which will be available to all partners, information will be circulated as soon as they become available. We are also available to offer online sessions for teams – get in touch if you’d like to book something in.