

# Children enter the Safety Zone

## Western Power Distribution

Over 1,300 Nottinghamshire school children are due to attend Safety Zone during the next two weeks.

Western Power Distribution (WPD) will be providing important safety messages to the nine to 11-year-olds alongside the likes of the Nottinghamshire Fire and Rescue Service (NFRS), the Police and St John Ambulance.

The Safety Zone event, which was recently awarded with a Bronze Accreditation Certificate from the LASER Alliance, has been running for many years, providing safety education to tens of thousands of children.

Jocelyn Meekums, WPD's Education Liaison Officer explained: "We are very proud of what Safety Zone has achieved over the years and how well all the agencies pull together and present such an interesting learning experience for children."

Safety Zone scenarios include electricity, water, transport and internet safety, arson and first aid.

### **Note for newsdesks:**

### **About Safety Zone**

- Safety Zone is held at the National Water Sports Centre in Holme Pierrepont.
- The event runs from Monday, Sept. 17, until Friday, Sept. 28.
- The full list of agencies involved: Nottinghamshire Fire and Rescue Service, Nottinghamshire Police, St John Ambulance, Western Power Distribution, NCT, NET, Nottingham E-Learning, Nottinghamshire Road Safety, City Road Safety, East Midlands Ambulance Service (EMAS) and Injury Minimization Programme for Schools (IMPS).
- The LASER Alliance is hosted by the Royal Society for the Prevention of Accidents and encourages Learning About Safety whilst Experiencing Risk.

Western Power Distribution (WPD) is the distribution network operator for the Midlands, South West England and South Wales, and is responsible for delivering electricity to approximately 7.7 million customers in the UK. WPD is not an electricity supply company and does not bill customers in the UK. Its responsibility is to distribute electricity from the point of generation to homes and businesses.

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