

Launch of Castlereagh School Halloween campaign

Castlereagh Community Safety Halloween Campaign was launched officially at Dundonald High School on Tuesday 5th October 2010.

Over the course of the campaign, approximately 900, Year 8 pupils from six secondary and grammar schools within the Castlereagh area, will take part in educational workshops, outlining the dangers of fireworks and the law that relates to their use.

Commenting on the campaign Sgt Fairfield, Castlereagh PSNI Community Safety, said: "This is the third year in which we have sought to deliver information awareness sessions with young people. The reach of the campaign has grown, year upon year. This approach has proven to be effective with a significant reduction in the number of reported firework incidents within schools over recent years.

"In addition to delivering the project in schools, we will also deliver workshops in a local youth club, to ensure that other young people outside of the 'Year 8' category receive the message."

Sgt Fairfield adds: "We are very grateful to our partners in Castlereagh CSP, HAP group, the Northern Ireland Fire and Rescue Service and of course local school principals, without their support this campaign would not be possible."