# TRANSITION YEAR

DIGITAL CHAMPION TRAINING



## ALONE'S SCHOOL'S DIGITAL CHAMPION PROGRAMME

ALONE is a national organisation that supports older persons to age well in their homes and communities. Older people can be a very diverse group, but unfortunately, digital literacy is a huge challenge for many.

We are offering free Digital Champion training to students nationwide so they can support older persons use their phone or device and be comfortable online.

This a great opportunity for both young and old to learn new skills and transfer knowledge to help bridge the digital skills gap amongst older persons and foster a greater understanding between the two generations.

## WHAT IS A DIGITAL CHAMPION?

A Digital Champion gives an older person the confidence, basic digital skills and knowledge to use their device and make the most of being online.

### WHO WOULD THE STUDENT SUPPORT?

The student could support grandparent(s) or an older person they know. They also could support older persons in their community. ALONE can support your school with identifying local older persons group in your area.

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#### **DIGITAL CHAMPION CHECKLIST**

The student would need to be:

- Comfortable with the various basic 'settings'' on a device e.g setting passwords?
- Familiar with key tasks such as email setup, using social app e.g Whatsapp, Facebook etc?
- Willing to support an older person in their life/community with digital skills.







### **DIGITAL CHAMPION LEARNING OBJECTIVES:**

By the end of the training programme, students will understand:

- the impact technology can have on an older persons life
- more about taking account of the older persons individual circumstances and building trust
- the Digital Champions role and skills required

how to plan out and support the learning process for the individual.



eLearning (1 hour.) +

Facilitated workshop (2 hours)



Support for the Key contact (i.e Teacher or TY Coordinator) from ALONE post-training



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