



## **SAFE DRIVE STAY ALIVE**

The Pre-Driver Education Programme, Safe Drive Stay Alive, is being presented at The Orkney Theatre, Kirkwall Grammar School on the morning of Tuesday 17 September 2019 for S5 pupils from Kirkwall Grammar School and Stromness Academy and S4 pupils from Sanday, Stronsay and Westray Junior High Schools.

In addition, there will also be an evening event from 7-8pm for parents, carers, S5 or older students and Orkney College students to attend.

Based on national statistical publications, young novice drivers (17-24 year olds) are at a higher risk of being killed and seriously injured than any other category of road user. Therefore, we consider pre-drivers to be a group considered worthy of attention and intervention and Safe Drive Stay Alive aims to educate young drivers on all aspects of driver responsibility at a time they need it the most.

The format is a film developed and produced by Aberdeenshire Council, and depicts youngsters involved in a fatal Road Traffic Collision (RTC). The film is interspersed with live speeches from our local emergency personnel i.e. Police, Fire Brigade and Ambulance Service giving their account of the procedures used when arriving at a RTC along with detail of their own experiences. Safe Drive Stay Alive was well received last year by the students and teaching staff.

It should be noted that the presentations are more hard hitting than our previous pre-driver education programme, Driving Ambition, therefore, there is an opt-out opportunity that should be discussed with school management.