### **HAPPY ST PATRICK'S DAY**

We know you want to celebrate in style, but sometimes it doesn't go quite to plan. Follow these simple tips and you are more likely to have a celebration you will never forget, for all the right reasons.

### **JOIN OFFICIAL CELEBRATIONS**

Do not risk having a house party when you can join one of Belfast's official St Patrick's Day events? They are free, safe and you never know who you might meet.



### THINK OF YOUR FUTURE

A Police record or University
Disciplinary is no party. It can even
impact your career and travel
opportunities. So, if you want to
explore the world or land your dream
job, this is one achievement you
won't want to have to put on your
application forms.



Having fun doesn't mean breaking the law. Police and Council staff will be using body worn CCTV, so unless you want to be caught on camera, it is always better to play fair.



### **NEED HELP OR ADVICE?**

**PSNI** 101

**Emergency** 999

Belfast City Council 028 9032 0202 (Mon-Fri 9am-5pm)

### Student support and advice services

**Queen's University** 

Tel: 028 9097 2893 (Student Wellbeing)
Email: studentadvice@qub.ac.uk (Advice SU)
Email: su.vpwelfare@qub.ac.uk (SU Welfare Officer)

Ulster University
Tel: 028 9536 7000

Email: studentsupport@ulster.ac.uk www.ulster.ac.uk/studentsupport Ulster University SU Advice Bureau: https://www.uusu.org/advice/

Belfast Metropolitan College

Tel: 028 9026 5184 www.belfastmet.ac.uk

St Mary's University College

**Tel:** 028 9032 7678

Email: d.cree@smucb.ac.uk

Stranmillis University College Tel: 028 9038 4510

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**Email:** studentsupport@stran.ac.uk

### **Inspire (Student Counselling Service)**

Queen's University Tel: 0808 800 0016

Email: qubstudents@inspirewellbeing.org

Ulster University
Tel: 0800 028 5510

Email: ulsterstudents@inspirewellbeing.org

Belfast Metropolitan Tel: 0808 800 0032

Email: support@inspirewellbeing.org

### Other organisations

Samaritans 116 123

Lifeline 0808 808 8000

PSNI Rape Crime Unit 0845 600 8000 (emergency 24hr)

The Rowan 0800 389 4424 (support after sexual abuse,

assault or rape)

Nexus 028 9032 6803 (counselling for sexual abuse)

Brook 028 9032 8866 (free sexual health advice and

contraception)



# YOUR GUIDE TO CELEBRATING SAFELY

THIS ST PATRICK'S DAY

















### **PROTECT YOURSELF**

### **GOT A LIFT?**

No one wants to be left out in the cold. Make sure you know in advance how you're going to get home. Remember, it's St. Patrick's Day so public transport times will be reduced and taxis are likely to be busy.

### STICK TOGETHER

Have fun with your friends and try to stick together. Don't wander off on your own or let your friends do the same. After all, it's always more fun together anyway.



### **GOT A CHARGER?**

Remember when you had 1% and your phone died just before you hit send? We've all been there. Try and keep your phone charged and considering carrying a portable battery pack just in case.

### **HANGRY OR HAPPY**

Over-drinking can put your health at risk. Make sure to eat a substantial meal before your celebrations begin and drink plenty of water along the way. You will thank us in the morning.



### THINK DRINK

It only takes a second for someone to spike your drink. Keep an eye on your glass and ask the Police for anti-spiking bottle stoppers.

### **SAVE THESE NUMBERS**

SOS Bus: 07901 505 505

Emergency: 999

**PSNI: 101** 

Noise Team: 02890 373 006



### **GOOD NEIGHBOUR**

THINK: am I IMPACTING on my neighbours. What might be seen as horseplay or boisterousness to you may be seen as intimidatory or threatening by others. REMEMBER Student Conduct Regulations apply at all times!

Be considerate of your neighbours, the elderly and families with young children. Enjoy yourself but not at the expense of others.



No matter how much fun you are having, no means no. Respect other people's boundaries.



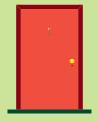
Never get into the driver's seat if you've had alcohol. And remember friends don't let friends drive drunk either.



### THE NEXT DAY

Alcohol doesn't magically leave your system when you wake up. You may still be over the legal limit for driving the morning after.

### **YOUR PROPERTY**



### **INVITING FRIENDS**

Avoid inviting friends into the area and make sure you do not hand over your keys for someone else to stay in your absence. They could cause you to get a noise complaint.

### **LOCK IT**

When you are away from your house, make sure it is locked up before you leave and any alarms are set. It only takes a minute but is worth it.



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### **AVOID IT**

Avoid the area and hosting parties as you may be vulnerable to theft, damage and even lose your hard-earned deposit, not to mention the potential of Disciplinary Action if your party causes a disturbance.

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