



## Working Together ~ Preventing Child Accidents

We are committed to reducing the number of accidents and fatalities in Northumberland and would like to draw your attention to the four (national) heart-breaking headlines in just three months. Each story showing the importance of working together to help keep up the momentum in raising awareness of child accident prevention. (Source CAPT, 2016)

### 'GIRL 2 DIES AFTER SWALLOWING BUTTON BATTERY' JAN 2016

Button batteries and lithium batteries are found in lots of toys and everyday objects. If swallowed can be extremely dangerous,



### 'TODDLER DIES AFTER CHOKING ON A GRAPE IN PIZZA HUT' FEB 2016



All small objects are potential choking hazards to young children. To help minimise the risks cut food for toddlers into baton shapes or halve.

### 'HUDDERSFIELD HOUSE FIRE, 2 TODDLER BROTHERS DIE' FEB 2016

Test smoke alarms on a monthly basis, change battery annually. If there is a fire you are at least 4 times more likely to die without a working alarm.



### 'TODDLER TWIN BROTHERS DIE IN GARDEN POND' MAR 2016



Babies and toddlers drown silently in as little as 5cm of water. Drain or securely cover garden ponds, water butts. Empty paddling pools, buckets immediately after use.