

31st October 2024

Dear parents and carers,

I hope you all had a lovely half term break.

I am just writing today for you to put dates in the diary for Seniors this term. Some of the events coming up are quite tough topics to approach with our young people, but it is important to allow them to have the opportunity. If you feel you would like to discuss any of the topics being raised, please feel free to see me at parents evening or give me a call.

- 6th November - The Boobettes

The Boobettes are here! We have volunteers from the charity 'Coppafeel' coming in to present their school awareness session on breast cancer. This is a hard-hitting topic and something I understand is very personal to many of us. The session will be factual, mindful of our students' needs and staff will be there to support. However, if you feel you would prefer your young person to not attend for any reason, please do let the Seniors office know. The session is from 1:30 pm - 2:30 pm.

- 13th November - Parents' Evening

During parents evening we will have local colleges, providers, and the young adults with disabilities team in attendance. You will be able to chat with them for advice or any questions you may have about future plans for your young person. They will have stalls and information for you to take away.

- 20th November – Leicestershire Police, Substance Misuse Team

James Edmonston from the Substance Misuse Team at Leicestershire Police is coming in for the morning of 20th November - I am meeting him over teams soon to get a schedule together to raise awareness around facts about drugs misuse. The session will focus on misconceptions, and how any drug if misused has the potential to cause harm. The teachers have already attended a session with him which was highly

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informative on the local issues in our area right now. If you are interested to attend a session as a group of parents, please let me know and I will check James's availability.

- 22nd November - Mama G

We have a pantomime dame coming to visit us on the 22nd to deliver our assembly! The theme is around 'be yourself'. The dame visiting us is Mama G. She has written a children's book and appeared on Britain's Got Talent!

6th December - Christmas Coffee Morning

A fantastic opportunity for you to come along for a bit of cake and a cup of tea or coffee and see the young people working hard in school. All proceeds raised from the coffee morning will go towards events and resources for students throughout the year.

It is a busy and exciting term, which can be tricky for some of our young people to navigate because of the changes in routine and we understand that this can impact at home. If you need any support as a family, please remember we have our Family Support and Pastoral Manager, Karl Baker and myself available to offer a range of support if needed.

I look forward to seeing you all over the term.

Kind regards.

Yours sincerely

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