

23rd January 2023

Y10 Personal Development Month

Dear Parent/Carer,

During the months of February and March we are excited to share with you the opportunities for your child's personal development. During the month different year groups will be able to experience assemblies and/ or workshops delivered by external agencies from around the country. This is a fantastic opportunity for our students to develop into positive role models and focuses on some of the areas in our RSE and Health Education curriculum and underpins our academies' wider curriculum delivery:

- emotional intelligence;
- understanding their own mental health;
- developing a positive self-image and self-worth;
- how to develop healthy relationships;
- responsibility for their own personal hygiene;
- how to keep themselves safe;
- understanding the importance of physical activity;

Student Voice overwhelmingly asked for us to contact a range of external providers and workshops to support this delivery and we are pleased to share these with you. On the 2nd of February, we are very lucky to be visited by DePaul UK. Depaul UK delivers bold and energetic workshops to whole year groups, using digital media and creative techniques to educate young people about youth homelessness and related issues. They equip young people with crucial information early so they can safely navigate future challenges and know where to go for support. The workshop will look at exploring healthy relationships with family and peers, conflict, CCE and CSE, risk taking and making safer choices

On the 23rd February we are delighted to once again welcome South Yorkshire Police to deliver an extended assembly on stalking and harassment.

As a school community, we are committed to working in partnership with parents; *parental feedback has indicated that the overwhelming majority of parents continue to be highly supportive of the relationships education programme. If you would like to find out more or discuss any concerns, please contact Mrs Riley s.riley@shafton.outwood.com or Miss Kaye l.kaye@shafton.outwood.com*

Our Anti Bullying Ambassadors are currently working on a number of projects in the academy in celebrating differences in all and having a respectful culture. We are working with CompassBe who have kindly offered to provide a workshop for our students to support their ideas. If you would like your child to attend this please complete the Google Form- they do not need to already be an Anti Bullying Ambassador- we would love as many students as possible attending the event on the 2nd of March ([Anti Bullying Ambassador Workshop](#)).

Finally, after discussion with the student voice leadership team and their wish to include sessions on financial awareness it has been a pleasure to welcome 'The Money Charity' into the academy over the last few months. The Money Charity team have been delivering two workshops during Life lessons which cover financial education workshops on planning and budgeting. For more information about their work, student money manuals, resource packs and much more, please visit <https://themoneycharity.org.uk/about>

Yours sincerely,



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