

YEAR 9
13th March, 2019

Dear Parent/Carer

I am writing to inform you that as part of the school's Personal, Social and Health and Cultural Education programme, your child will be taking part in a drop-down day themed around Rights and Responsibilities on Tuesday 19th March 2019.

The purpose of this day is to provide students with an understanding of their rights and responsibilities in a variety of different contexts. This will aid them in tackling a wide range of situations that they may encounter throughout their life with confidence and accuracy.

The students will be provided with a timetable for the day, personalised to their year group. Below you will find a list of the sessions in which your child will take part, along with a brief explanation.

- 1 **GORSE Gets Healthy** – This session aims to provide students with insight into an academy-wide initiative where students are encouraged to pursue healthy lifestyle habits. Students will examine their responsibilities around staying healthy and will take part in some physical exercise. For this session, they will need to bring their P.E. kit.
- 2 **THINK! Road Safety** – Using guidance from the charity THINK! students will examine the factors that cause people to make dangerous decisions around roads. They will devise strategies for speaking to their friends about making positive decisions and for improving their personal habits in order to stay safe as a pedestrian, cyclist or passenger in a vehicle.
- 3 **Stonewall** – A volunteer for the charity Stonewall will be joining us to help students understand what it's like to be part of the LGBTQ+ community, as well as teaching about students' rights and responsibilities are around homophobic, transphobic and biphobic bullying.
- 4 **Gender** – Students will look at why gender stereotypes exist, what they consist of and what impact (both negative and positive) these stereotypes can have on society. They will practise how to tackle unhelpful stereotyping in a respectful manner.

- 5 **Rock 'Enrol'** – In this session students will look at the history of political voting, why people vote and why it is important for them to have their say.

If you have any further questions about the sessions taking place, you are welcome to contact me or our Assistant Principal Ms Rhiannon Gully via reception.

Yours sincerely

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Erin Brierley
PSHCE Coordinator