



Safeguarding Bulletin

Hi

Welcome back following half term, the pupils have settled well back into school life.

Following the completion of the pupil and parent surveys we wanted to share that over 90% of parents have agreed or strongly agreed that their child feels safe at the academy and that their child is well looked after. We also saw similar results for both the staff and pupil surveys completed at the same time. We are really pleased with these figures and will be continuing to work on these areas to improve this to 100%. If your child reports that they don't feel safe, please don't hesitate to get in touch with us so that we can support them to change this. Contact details for the safeguarding team are below:

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New HSB Service - Switch (provided by Savana) for children aged

11-18 Please see the guidance shared by the local authority below:

- [Switch – A free service providing information on all things relationships, sex and more. \(switchwithsavana.org.uk\)](https://www.switchwithsavana.org.uk)

A service for young people in Staffordshire aged 11 to 18 who have been affected by sexual assault and abuse.

Switch offers face to face and digital support for young people aged 11-18, delivering direct work out in the community and in schools - where funding allows, including:

- one to one awareness sessions in a range of topics,

- one to one counselling, for those who have been negatively impacted by these topics,
- three assessment and support sessions, for young people who have displayed harmful sexualised behaviour.

Switch's digital support includes a dedicated youth focused website o@ering specialist information, resources, signposting and SOS, Switch online support and a live chat function.

Anti-bullying Week

The theme of anti-bullying week this year has been 'Choose Respect', we have used this theme throughout the week, in tutor time, line up and assemblies.



As parents and carers, we all want our children to be happy and safe, and it is natural to worry about bullying - particularly if we have experienced bullying ourselves or think our child may be more vulnerable to bullying.

As a parent or carer, you are a vital piece of the puzzle in tackling bullying. You have a unique role to play in guiding and supporting your child through their school years and there are many positive steps you can take to help keep your child safe from bullying and harm.

If you are worried about bullying, we would first advise that you get in touch with us at the academy so that we can tackle the bullying as well as o@ering you and your child support. You can also access advice and support from the Kidscape Parent Advice Line on the details below:

Parent Advice Line: 0300 102 4481

WhatsApp: 07496 682785

Email: parentsupport@kidscape.org.uk

There is also lots of advice and guidance on their website: <https://www.kidscape.org.uk>

Thanks,

TREA Safeguarding Team