

10 October 2016

### **Year 9 Enterprise Week**

Year 9 will be off timetable next week and will instead be following a timetabled programme which includes focused work within the Expressive Arts based around “Black History Month” as well as House events and Citizenship and Guidance. This programme replaces, for this one week, their normal timetable of lessons. Please note that your son should bring his PE kit on Wednesday, and please be reminded that Monday is a Training Day and is closed to students. Those who have been allocated Dance or Drama will need to bring in their PE kit every day.

In all areas of school life we aim to ensure an environment where all students feel safe in a culture of mutual respect irrespective of disability; special educational needs; age, sex; gender identity; race; religion; belief and sexual orientation. As part of this it is important that we allow our students opportunities to engage in managed discussions that encourage empathy and respect; challenging issues/ideas and encouraging critical thinking.

As part of this activities will be provided to consolidate work already undertaken on our Respect Agenda in relation to their social, moral, spiritual and cultural development, including British Values. The aim here is to ensure that the school is preparing pupils positively for life in modern Britain and it promotes the fundamental British values of democracy, the rule of law, individual liberty and mutual respect for and tolerance of those with different faiths and beliefs and those without faith. The Citizenship and Guidance work will include areas related to drugs and crime and they will also see an anti-bullying play called “Walk a mile in my shoes” and fill in the annual anti-bullying surveys.

The students have also been given the opportunity for two further activities; learning CPR from the British Heart Foundation as part of the Restart a Heart Day campaign and attending Barclaycard to see the Enigma Machine and take part in workshops, particularly relevant to those hoping to go on to study History at GCSE and beyond. A separate letter with the details and a medical consent form will be sent home with these students who are successful in gaining a place - there is no cost.

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