

Friday 1st March 2024

Dear Parents/Guardians,

RE: Keeping Our Schools Safe: Partnering with Police for Student Wellbeing

We are writing to you today to inform you about a collaborative initiative between our school and Rachel Horton-Barr aimed at enhancing student knowledge on keeping safe within the community.

Program Details:

This program, scheduled for 4-6 weeks, will encompass several key elements:

- **Safety and Law Awareness:** Police officers will deliver interactive sessions covering relevant laws, police powers, and student rights. This will empower students to navigate situations responsibly and understand their interactions with law enforcement.
- **Social Media Awareness:** The program will address the responsible use of social media, highlighting potential risks and promoting safe online practices.
- **County Lines and Local Concerns:** Officers will provide insights into the dangers of "county lines" drug networks and other threats prevalent in Coventry, equipping students with the knowledge to make informed decisions and stay safe.
- **Knife Crime Awareness:** Through dedicated sessions and potentially immersive VR experiences (parental opt-out option available), students will gain a deeper understanding of the devastating consequences of knife crime and the value of positive conflict resolution.

Optional Participation:

While we strongly encourage participation, we respect individual needs and choices. A reply slip is attached for students who may wish to opt out of VR experiences. Please complete and return the slip by 7th March 2024 if your child wishes to opt out. The sessions will begin on the 12th of March 2024.

Schedule for students that are participating:

We will host the sessions every Tuesday from 10.00am until 11.00am in classroom E4.

We appreciate your support in this initiative for your child. If you have any further questions, please contact Mr Malhi at T.Malhi@seva.coventry.sch.uk

Yours sincerely,
Mr T Malhi
Mr S Subhra
Rachel Horton-Barr (PCO)

Reply Slip - Opt-out for the whole programme.

Student Name: _____

I do/ do not* wish my child to participate in the police awareness programme* (Delete as appropriate)

Signed: _____

Parent/Guardian Name: _____

Reply Slip - Opt-out for the knife crime.

Student Name: _____

I do/ do not* wish my child to participate in the knife crime aspect of the programme* (Delete as appropriate)

Signed: _____

Parent/Guardian Name: _____

Reply Slip - Opt-out for the VR experience.

Student Name: _____

I do/ do not* wish my child to participate in the VR experience of the programme* (Delete as appropriate)

Signed: _____

Parent/Guardian Name: _____