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Dear Parent / Carer

Year 9 Drop Down Day Wednesday April 6th 2022

The last 2 years have had a huge impact on all of us, least of all our young people.

There has been a huge increase in young people interacting online; this has brought with it many positives, but has also highlighted the many negative sides. There has been an increase in social isolation and mental health concerns. Friendships and relationships have been affected. There has also been lots in the media regarding sexual violence and online sexual harassment.

All these issues inevitably raise lots of questions and young people may not know the answers, may be looking in the wrong places for the answers, or simply may not even know where to begin to look for the answers.

As a result of all this, we feel it the right time to address this and be educating our young people so that they are able to make informed choices regarding their safety online and in relationships.

Therefore, on Wednesday 6th April, all Year 9 students will be participating in a “Drop Down” day, where students will attend a number of workshops covering a range of topics that we feel are relevant to today’s youth.

The document attached will provide you with an overview of each of the workshops that will be running. Students will rotate round each workshop until they have attended them all. Each workshop will run for approximately 40 minutes.

We appreciate that some of the subjects being covered may be uncomfortable and sensitive, but we cannot shy away from the fact that our young people are experiencing a very new and different world.

We are really excited to be bringing a whole day of activities and workshops to our Year 9 students in what will be a fun and informative day, however, should you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to get in touch.

Yours faithfully

The Buckingham School Student First Team
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The Buckingham School is concerned that every student should have the opportunity to attend school activities/obtain equipment, regardless of their financial circumstances. As such, it may be possible to subsidise those students who would otherwise be unable to attend trips/purchase items. Please feel free to write in confidence to finance@buckinghamschool.org, if you wish to seek assistance, or obtain more information about Pupil Premium funding.

