

# **CAISTER ACADEMY | SAFEGUARDING NEWSLETTER**

### **AUTUMN 1 UPDATE | OCTOBER 2023**

Throughout Autumn 1 the focus across the school was 'Celebrating Diversity and Tolerance'. Students experienced this theme through assemblies, PSHE curriculum time, personalised learning in tutor time and during whole school events.

Celebrating Diversity and Tolerance is about recognising, understanding and celebrating differences, alongside keeping themselves safe and showing tolerance and kindness to others.

There is a world-wide focus in order to expand their knowledge and help them to develop into critical thinkers. We also explored national themes and discussed what makes Britain great.

Autumn 1 PSHE, Personalised Learning and Assemblies.

YEAR GROUP	PSHE/PL TOPICS	ASSEMBLIES	
Year 11	Staying Safe	Careers, Black History month, Ask Apprenticeships	
Year 10	Exploring World Issues	European Day of Languages, Black History month, World Mental Health day	
Year 9	Combating Extremism, Terrorism and Radicalisation	European Day of Languages, Black History month, World Mental Health day, Anti - Bullying	
Year 8	Exploring LGBTQ+ and Transphobia	Anti-Bullying, European Day of Languages, Black History month, World Mental Health day	
Year 7	Celebrating Differences	E-scooters (Norfolk Police) European Day of Languages, Black History month, World Mental Health day	



Keeping Children Safe in Education

# Personal Development and PSHE Curriculum

The Autumn 2 half term will focus on Anti-Bullying across all year groups. Students will experience this theme through assemblies, PSHE curriculum time, personalised learning in tutor time and during whole school events.

Some sensitive topics will be covered with some year groups, which you can see from the schedule below:

YEAR	THEME	SENSITIVE CONTENT
Year 11	Staying Safe Risks around cosmetic surgery, alcohol and drug risk and	
Year 10	Violence, Crimes and Seeking Safety	Honour based violence, forced marriages, knife crime and modern day slavery
Year 9	Body Confidence	Male and female sex organs, bereavement, cancer, bullying, peer on peer abuse
Year 8	Proud to be Me	No sensitive content
Year 7	Friendship, Respect and Relationships	No sensitive content

Religious Studies will also be tackling some sensitive topics during the Year 8 and 9 lessons in Autumn 2:

- Year 8 will explore religious beliefs about life after death, including reincarnation and Heaven and Hell.
- Year 9 will look at topics such as euthanasia, abortion, cloning and saviour siblings.

All these topics will be handled as sensitively as possible, but it may be advisable to speak to your child in advance to let them know the subjects for this half term. If you have any concerns, please do not hesitate to contact your child's Head of Year.

Planned assemblies during Autumn 2 will continue to support the theme of Anti-Bullying as well as informing students of school and wider community matters.

Wk Beg	Year 11	Year 7	Year 8	Year 9	Year 10
30.11.23	Road Safety		Road Safety Armed Forces		Road Safety
6.11.23	Remembrance				
13.11.23	Anti Bullying			Anti Bullying Armed Forces	
20.11.23	Student CPD				
27.11.23	Mock Exams	Online Safety	Drugs and the Law	Respecting Others and Keeping Safe	Abuse in Relationships
4.12.23	UN Human Rights				
11.12.23	Celebration				

# SAFEGUARDING AT CAISTER ACADEMY

#### SAFEGUARDING PRIORITIES

The safeguarding priorities at Caister Academy continue to be:

- Child Sexual Exploitation
- Child Criminal Exploitation
- Neglect
- County Lines
- Harmful Sexual Behaviour

In the Safeguarding section of our website there are a range of useful links and resources for you to access. Below are some resources that will support the 'Anti-Bullying' theme this half term:

Kidscape - help with bullying

Young Minds – Trauma – a guide for parents

NSPCC - Talking to your child about online safety

Family Lives – talking to teenagers about drugs

Halo – Resources for domestic and sexual abuse, forced marriage, honour based abuse and FGM



### **TAKE CONTROL!**

Many of our parents say that they sometimes feel a little helpless when it comes to keeping their child safe online.

<u>Internet Matters</u> can show you how to easily set parental controls, not just on devices but also search engines, social media, mobile networks and gaming consoles.

Our E-Safety Co-ordinator, Claire Neave, will also be running workshops on Tutor Day.

## **SAFEGUARDING TEAM AT CAISTER ACADEMY:**

Mrs L King - Assistant Principal and Designated Safeguarding Lead Mrs C Neave - Safeguarding Officer and E-Safety Co-ordinator



As always, we appreciate the support given by all parents to keep our children safe. If you have any concerns or observations, please contact your child's form tutor in the first instance. Often our parents are the source of very valuable information which helps to keep everyone safe.



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