



Huxlow Science College

Our Ref: LG/KH/PerSafe

Date: 25th March 2021

Dear Parents / Carers

Re: Knife Crime and Personal Safety

There have been a number of recent concerning issues that have been raised both locally and nationally that have affected our students in various ways. The concerns include knife crime and personal safety.

These prominent issues have featured in the media and have had direct impact on our students. These topics are covered with students in LORIC sessions and already form part of student learning plans in Personal, Social, Health Education.

Given the strength of feeling surrounding these issues at present, it will be important that, after the Easter break, some extraordinary sessions are to be delivered on these topics. These will be to support students, to give them the opportunity for safe discussion and ensure that we reiterate the message of mutual respect to all. All sessions will be delivered in an age-appropriate way.

It is important that you are aware that these discussions, assemblies and LORIC learning will take place, so that you can also engage in the dialogue with your children about these current issues.

If you have any concerns about your child with these or any other matters, please do not hesitate to contact the school where we can identify if additional support is required and engage appropriate services to put this in place.

The safety wellbeing of our students remains paramount in all that we do, and we will continue to work with you to assure this with our students.

Some useful parent support resources on these topics can be found through the links below:

<http://www.knifecrimes.org/parents>

<https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/support-for-parents/>

Thank you for your continued support.

Yours sincerely

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