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Dear Parents and Carers

Re: Positive Choices Drop Down Day

I am writing to share the exciting news that we have formed a partnership with Leeds United in the Community and they will be visiting to deliver workshops to Year 9 students as part of our PSHCE programme. These will be delivered on 2 days this term with students attending on one of these days, the first taking place on Thursday 13 May. The workshops will emphasise the importance of making positive choices and will be led by guest speakers who will talk to students about real life stories from their communities.

The aim of the day is to:

- Help students understand how the choices they make can affect their future through real-life stories of how seemingly insignificant decisions can impact on their future and on those around them;
- Empower students to make decisions around the best course of action in given scenarios and to evaluate risk;
- Teach students basic first aid actions that could be taken in order to help save a life;
- Explore trust and sign post support available both in school and externally;
- Promote a positive self-image linked to mental health and wellbeing.

The issues explored are from real life experiences and the visitors are not actors. The workshops may trigger an emotional response for some students so preparation work will take place during form time this week. I would like to reassure you that the programme has been successfully delivered in a number of schools across West Yorkshire and it is an opportunity for our students to develop their awareness of making positive choices.

A film crew may attend on the day, if you do not want your child to be filmed then please contact Mrs Robinson at school.

Yours faithfully

J Thornton
Acting Principal

