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Dear parents and carers,

## Re: Wellbeing Support for pupils

As a school we support the whole pupil. We not only provide academic support but we also provide wellbeing support. The support provided will be based on the needs of the child.

Whenever we have external agencies in the school, they always comment on the fantastic support that we provide. Very few primary schools have dedicated FLO Teams or counsellors to support pupils. Very few schools are able to provide the specialist programmes that we do and external visitors have always commented on the fact that we go above and beyond to support our pupils. Recently our high level of support was recognised again when our Inclusion Quality Mark Assessor visited and not only stated that we continued to be a Centre of Excellence but that we could become a Flagship School.

## Enrichment

Enrichment is embedded throughout curriculum including clubs, trips, visitors, careers days, Focused Learning Days, volunteering, pets, singing schools, performances and assemblies, Sports4All wrap around care, Leavers events, bikeability, inter-house competitions, sports festivals and competitions, secondary school pupils coming to us to support pupils and sports day

## Pastoral

All of our staff provide amazing support for our pupils. Pupils can speak to any member of staff to ask for help or support. We also have some dedicated departments that support pupil wellbeing such as counsellors, FLO team, SEN team. These teams provide a range of support packages for pupils depending on their needs including ELSA support, Mental health first aid, Helping Hands, Read to Dogs, Young Carers, Zones Of Regulation, mentors, peer mentors

## Transition

We carefully plan our transition programme to support a smooth transition between year groups or school. To enable a smooth transition we provide MUSU, extra transfer days, 6 2 7 club (additional transition for pupil

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premium pupils in Y6), extra transition support from SEN and FLO Teams, staff handover sessions to share information with the next staff to work with the pupil

### **Bespoke Support**

We offer a range of support that support the wellbeing of pupils where they require bespoke support tailored to their needs. We have Wellbeing Plans, use of astroturf, FLO cards, CAMHs/PRU/School nursing referrals, reduced timetables, EAL champions, use of interventions to support individuals, bespoke teaching for pupils/classes/cohorts based on gaps in learning

### **Spaces**

We have a number of places that children can come to if they need some time and space or if they need some support. We have the SEN room, FLO room, nurture room and pastoral library

### **Attendance**

A pupil's wellbeing is increased by have routines in places. One of the most important routines is coming into school every day. To support pupils to want to come in to school we provide incentives and share clear procedures with parents

### **Health**

We support pupils with all aspects of their health – mental, physical and emotional. In order to support our pupils' health we provide mental health clubs, sports coaches for breaks and lunches to encourage being active, counsellor drop ins, safety days and a safe site

### **Character**

We ensure that we support the whole pupil so we not only teach academic subjects, but we also support pupils to develop aspects of their character. We do this through LORIC (assemblies, embedded across the curriculum), Mind to be kind assemblies, My health, My life assemblies, SMSC/British Values /School Values, pupil leaders, gems and house points, star of the half term, star of the week, be kind awards, school council and debates

### **School Culture**

Safeguarding is out top priority. All staff have regular safeguarding training. Staff are caring and vigilant, all pupils are welcome. This is an inclusive school

### **General**

We try to ensure that parents are as informed as possible. We provide a range of ways to communicate including family learning, Online safety, newsletters, parent session, pupil assemblies, well-being newsletters and website content, parenting sessions, food banks, HAF clubs

Kind regards,

The Senior Leadership Team

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