## WILLIAM HARDING SCHOOL



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Dear parents and carers,

## Re: Year 6 Pupil Voice with the Inclusion, Pastoral and Safeguarding Lead

I had the pleasure of spending time talking with some of the Year 6 pupils recently to understand their views about safety and wellbeing in school.

Here are some of the things they had to say. For your information all Pupil Voice from a range of pupils can be found on our website <u>http://www.williamhardingschool.co.uk/pupil-voice</u>

Q. What would you tell a visitor about WH, what is it like to be a pupil here

A. This is a great place. There are lots of activities to do. It is a magical place. We are safe here and have gates. The school is very diverse. We have fire alarms and lockdowns.

Q. What can you tell me about behaviour at WH?

A. Behaviour is good here. If it was bad it would be well dealt with. Anyone being violent is moved away. All issues are dealt with. Staff intervene straight away if they see something that isn't being done right. There are behaviour charts that staff have on lanyards showing what to do. If you don't follow the rules you peg is moved down.

- Q. Do you feel safe at WH?
- A. Yes. The staff wear lanyards and there are different lanyards for visitors. There are gates. People who visit have to sign in at the office.

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- Q. Tell me about School Values, SMSC & BV
- A. We have to work hard, aim high and be kind. SMSC shows us how to be responsible and respectful. We use these in lessons, at the end of lessons and in assemblies.
- Q. Tell me about play and lunch times
- A. We get to cool down from lessons. If we get stressed we can cool down. We have fun and our lunch. It is safe as there are lots of adults watching.
- Q. Do you have someone in school you can talk to if you are worried?
- A. FLO team, teachers, Mrs Pacelli and friends. There are posters around the school to show who to talk toif you are new.
- Q. Tell me about how to keep safe online
- A. Websites are safe if there is a padlock on them. If they don't have it they are not secure. You should share your password. You must not give out your personal details. You have to make sure the apps and games are age appropriate.
- Q. Do you know what the risks are online?
- A. People asking for your details. Games taking your details. Hackers who hack your accounts.
- Q. Tell me about keeping healthy
- A. Don't be on your phone too long each day, it is bad for your eyes. Stay hydrated and have a healthy diet. Exercise. Sleep enough, go to bed early. Have healthy minds be mentally healthy.
- Q. Tell me about wellbeing
- A. It is good unless something bad happens. Then you have to talk to people or do activities in enrichment time to help.
- Q. Tell me about LORIC
- A. It is in the plenary sometimes and assemblies.
- Q. Tell me about debates
- A. There are always two sides. You get to share your opinions. We vote. We find out about the world.
- Q. Tell me about themed days

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- A. We do different activities. When there are important dates or people we find out about them. We did careers day, anti-bullying, Black History Month.
- Q. Tell me about clubs
- A. There are many clubs including breakfast club. They are fun and you learn new things.
- Q. What is great about the school
- A. You learn lots, you're always learning something new. There is lots of help and lots of challenge. We learn about a range of subjects.
- Q. What would make the school even better?
- A. Tutors in Y6

I hope you are as impressed as I am with their answers. They have shown they are safe in in school and they have many people they can go to if they need help. They also have a good understanding of keeping themselves mentally and physically healthy.

Yours faithfully,

Mrs Skinner Inclusion, Pastoral and Safeguarding Lead

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