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Dear parents and carers,

**Re: Year 4 Pupil Voice with the Inclusion, Pastoral and Safeguarding Lead**

I had the pleasure of spending time talking with some of the Year 4 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 <http://www.williamhardingschool.co.uk/pupil-voice>

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

A. there are lots of clubs and activities. You get to make friends and read books. Everyone is nice. We care about our education. We have lots of jobs we can do like animal advocate and school council. The people here are very welcoming to new children.

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

A. Behaviour is dealt with. Everyone is very nice and there are very few arguments. We use collaboration instead of arguing. We include people in our games who haven't got anyone to play with. If you are lonely you can ask someone and they will play with you or a teacher will help find someone to play with. Everyone is respectful here.

Q. Do you feel safe at WH?

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- A. Yes! There are the FLO Team, gates, fences and cameras. The school is secure. You can't be in a classroom without a teacher. We have lockdown and fire practises. There are lots of adults in school and they supervise us to keep us safe. If you are worried about something you can speak to a FLO.
- Q. Tell me about School Values, SMSC & BV
- A. These are very important. We look at them in the plenary to see what we have covered. They are also in our next steps. They help you be a better person.
- Q. Tell me about play and lunch times
- A. We play with people if they are lonely. Teachers help you if you are hurt. It is a time to rest and be with friends – it is free time for your mind so it works better.
- Q. Do you have someone in school you can talk to if you are worried?
- A. FLO Team, the 5 people in school that Mrs Bone told us we can talk to, teachers and TAs.
- Q. Tell me about how to keep safe online
- A. We have online safety assemblies. You need to tell a teacher if someone sends something bad to you. There are posters in our classroom about online safety and cyber bullying. You must tell an adult before you put your details into something online so the adult can check it is safe.. We have e safety ambassadors. If there is cyber-bullying you tell an adult and you can block them. If you see something you shouldn't, don't delete it, show an adult.
- Q. Tell me about keeping healthy
- A. We did healthy eating in DT, we made fruit salad. It is about healthy eating and having a balanced diet. We do PE so we exercise. We go swimming for exercise too. Reading is good for a healthy mind. You shouldn't spend ages on devices. We do wellbeing on special days and in Wednesday assembly.
- Q. Tell me about LORIC
- A. Y4 could name all of the LORIC skills. They help us to know what to do. They make us better people.
- Q. Tell me about debates
- A. Debates uses our democracy. They help us to find out about the world.
- Q. Tell me about focused learning days
- A. We did NSPCC Number Day, Comic Book Day, World Book Day. Sometimes we dress up. We learn about a theme and it helps us to know the importance of it.

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Q. Tell me about clubs

A. Lots of clubs like football and after school club. They help us keep our knowledge up.

Q. What is great about the school

A. Everything we have said already and the library and we make friends and the teachers keep us safe.

Q. What would make the school even better?

A. Longer playtimes. Splitting subjects into smaller subjects like DT being split into making and writing it up. Trampolines and swimming pools.

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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