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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 <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. The learning. The curriculum is very descriptive. We repeat things each year but each time we learn something new. This is a nice place. The pupils are nice and the staff are nice and help you. The school is very diverse.

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

A. It is dealt with. Staff use the behaviour charts they have on their lanyards. We use the traffic lights as well.

Q. Do you feel safe at WH?

A. Yes. We have drills for fire and lockdown. We have lots of gates, internal and external ones. There are lots of teachers here to protect us and keep us safe. The adults wear lanyards so we know who they are and the children wear uniforms so we know they belong here.

Q. Tell me about School Values, SMSC & BV

Our School Values are: Inclusion, Perseverance, Honesty, Respect, Responsibility and Collaboration.



- A. We look at these at the ends of lessons to see what we have learnt about them. We use them in everyday school life. We cover them in assemblies too.
- Q. Tell me about play and lunch times
- A. We cool down at break time. We get to socialise and mix with children in other classes. The staff know where we are so that they can keep us safe. The staff use the behaviour charts.
- Q. Do you have someone in school you can talk to if you are worried?
- A. FLOs, teachers, mentors if you have one, TAs, counsellor, adults on duty at playtime and lunchtime and friends.
- Q. Tell me about how to keep safe online
- A. We have online safety ambassadors. The lessons we do help us to stay safe. If a stranger talks to you or if someone is rude you tell your parents. Do not share personal information. There are age ratings you have to follow. People have false identities online and share false information.
- Q. Tell me about keeping healthy
- A. Eat 5 fruit and veg a day. Exercise. There is a poster in the middle room about healthy me and how to stay healthy. You need healthy routines and sleep. You need to rest. We have wellbeing sessions and enrichment time and PSHE.
- Q. Tell me about LORIC
- A. It is in the plenaries. We know what to do to be good people using the puzzle pieces. We share the Jigsaw charter as well which is like LORIC.
- Q. Tell me about debates
- A. You discuss things and choose sides. We do it in class on Tuesdays. We get to learn about the world and state our opinions.
- Q. Tell me about focused learning days
- A. We do them towards the end of a half term. We get to focus on learning about something specific and looking at different aspects of it.
- Q. Tell me about clubs
- A. There is breakfast and after school clubs. There are clubs in the morning and after school. There are plenty of clubs and the staff are always trying to include more and different ones – they want us to have a wide range to choose from. The clubs are very inclusive.

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Q. What is great about the school

A. The way the school supports you, not just academically but also with our mental health. We get a good education. The teachers help us. We loved reading to the reception children.

Q. What would make the school even better?

A. Booster sessions like focused learning days so you do the whole day on something you want to improve.

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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