# **PASTORAL UPDATES**

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# PSHE (including RSE) regular update

Personal, Social, and Health Education (PSHE) is a non-statutory but important and necessary part of all pupils' education (Department for Education, 2020). I hope that you find the regular updates on what we have covered in our PSHE sessions for Year 7-13 useful and that you engage with the content and discuss this with your child and family.

For further information about what is being taught this term please visit our <u>school website</u>.

If you have any questions about any aspect of PSHE please contact your child's Head of Year.

### Year 7

This week Year 7 have continued with their unit of work with a lesson on How can we be more sustainable? In this lesson, students will consider why the future of our planet has to have sustainability at its core. They will explore the concept of sustainability – social, economic and environmental and how we can all be responsible global citizens. They will consider why and how the choices they make have an impact on people throughout the world.

Key messages:

- To evaluate how our consumption choices can have impacts on others around the world
- To explain how we can reduce our consumption of resources such as energy and water

#### Year 8

This week Year 8 have continued their unit of work with a lesson on discrimination in design-disability. In this lesson, students will compare examples of inaccessible, accessible and inclusive design, then adapt designs to increase inclusivity.

Key messages:

- To discuss and reflect on stereotypes, how they are formed and how they might affect people, including unconscious bias
- Reflect on and understand discrimination in your communities

# Year 9

This week Year 9 have continued with their new unit of work on personal safety including safety with the first or a two-part lesson on dealing with conflict. This lesson is concerned with how to diffuse a situation and how to come to a resolution based on the types of conflict between people that could occur.

Key messages:

- To learn how to diffuse conflict
- To look at different types of resolution

## Year 10

This week Year 10 have begun their unit of work on active citizenship with a lesson on the impact of war. Students will look at how war can impact communities and look at the reasons why conflict arises around the world.

Key messages:

- Understanding impact of war
- Understanding why conflict arises
- How we can support those affected by conflict

#### Year 11 and 13

These year groups have started their exam leave for their GCSE and A-levels.

### Year 12

This week Year 12 students are sitting their internal exams.

#### Pastoral support

We have a range of support services available in school to help your child should they need some extra support.

These include a school counsellor, ELSA,

pastoral support officer, mental lealth champions and peer mentors. Please contact your child's Head of Year directly should you have any concerns.

#### School workshops

Last term, we ran two workshops online to support parents with dealing with a range of mental health concerns.

If you were unable to make those workshops you can find recordings <u>here</u>: Nonsuch High School for Girls - Portals (nonsuchschool.org) (under the 'Parent' tab)

| PASTORAL SUPPORT RESOURCES                                  |   |
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| TALK TO US  | OFF THE RECORD ONLINE WORKSHOPS<br>At our online workshops we share practical tips and info about issues<br>you might be struggling with (there is no pressure to appear on<br>camera).<br>Our webinars run on Thursdays at 5pm.<br>You can sign up online via the <u>Off The Record website</u> then click on the<br>What's On tab.<br>Alternatively speak to Ms Hicks in the pastoral office who can help you<br>sign up. |
| Cognus<br>Cognus<br>No limits on learning                   | <u>COGNUS</u> provide a variety of courses to support parenting<br>(COSP).  |
| South West London and<br>St George's Mental Health          |   |
| South West London<br>and St George's<br>Mental Health Trust | The NHS-in-School Education Wellbeing Service is offering a Webinar for parents and carers on teens use of screen time, social media and gaming. You can sign up for one of the sessions by using <u>this link</u> .  |