



Thursday 8th October

RESPECT Drop-Down Day

Dear Families,

I am writing to inform you about tomorrow's Personal Development Drop-Down Day dedicated to the theme of Respect, which forms a core pillar of our school values and curriculum.

Throughout the day, students across all year groups will engage in tailored workshops and talks designed to foster respect for themselves, their peers, and their wider community. A central goal of the day is to deepen students' understanding of Fundamental British Values, including individual liberty, mutual respect, tolerance, and the rule of law, and to explore how putting these values into practice positively impacts our local community.

Keynote Speaker: Marcell Edwards (*Make Life Kind*)

We are thrilled to welcome guest speaker Marcell Edwards from *Make Life Kind*. Marcell is an inspirational speaker and creative professional who has collaborated with global brands like Adidas. Drawing on his personal journey, Marcell delivers powerful, relatable talks on overcoming adversity, taking control of one's attitude, and the transformative power of everyday kindness and respect.

Year-Group Workshops: In addition to Marcell's keynote address, each year group will participate in specialised, age-appropriate workshops delivered by expert external partners:

- **Year 7 – Fire Service Workshop**
- **Year 8 – Cyber Choices**
- **Year 9 – Stand Against Violence**
- **Year 10 – The Alice Ruggles Trust.**

Important Action Required: Photo Permission Updates via MCAS

Following a technical update over the summer period, photo permissions on MyChildAtSchool (MCAS) have been reset for some students. This means that any photo/media consent previously provided for your child may no longer be active. As we hope to capture photos and highlights from this exciting day to share in our newsletter and on school communications, please log into your MCAS app as soon as possible to update your photo permission preferences. Without an updated response on MCAS, we may be unable to include your child in any celebratory event photography.

We are looking forward to a meaningful, high-impact day that equips our students with the skills, empathy, and attitude needed to thrive both inside school and out in the wider world.

Thank you for your continued support.

Yours sincerely,

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