20 November 2026

Dear Parent/Carer

Learning for Life Day 2 – Wednesday, 25 November

As you are aware, we deliver our Personal, Health, Social Education (which includes sex and relationships education) on five collapsed curriculum days throughout the year, when the normal timetable is suspended. We follow closely the national curriculum on these days, which includes a number of statutory (compulsory for us as a school) elements.

The topics we cover on these days include areas which will genuinely make a difference to the life choices your children make. We hope that this will mean that they will make positive, well-informed choices which will lead to them becoming happy and well-rounded young people with high aspirations for themselves and others. We take our responsibility to educate our young people in a much broader sense (more than simply passing exams) very seriously.

As these days have so much vital material condensed into them, students who are absent will miss important information that could impact on future life choices which is vital to their wider education and well-being. As such, any child who is absent on a Learning for Life Day will need to catch this work up when they return.

The second collapsed curriculum day of this academic year, Wednesday 25 November, will cover the following sessions:

Year 7 – Self Concept
Getting to know me. A question of character. Under my control. Preparing for life after Priory.

Year 8 – Media Literacy and Digital Resilience
Cyberbullying and online harms. Internet safety. Artificial intelligence and social media. Misinformation and media bias. Sources of support.

Year 9 – Addiction - Knowledge
Alcohol and its effects. The effects of drinking too much. Illegal drugs. Prescription drugs and legal highs.

Year 10 – Pregnancy
Consent and contraception revisited – Consequences and choices. Pregnancy – Consequences and choices. Parenthood including: Roles, responsibilities and fertility.

Year 11 – Financing Life
Risk. Borrowing. Saving. Interest. Fraud prevention and security.

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Should you wish to receive information regarding more detailed content of this day or any other, please do contact me.

All year groups will receive sources of help and support for themselves and others.

Students should report to their session 1 teacher in their usual Learning for Life classroom for 8.40am, unless they are in a Technology classroom. These groups have been relocated into the main building and information is on Teams.

Please note that on these days there is an early lunch followed by school closure at 1.10pm. School buses have been arranged for this earlier time.

Yours faithfully



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