

Our Ref: KGU/SSC

Thursday 23 June 2022

**Dear Parents and Carers** 

## **Raising awareness around Healthy Relationships**

I do hope that you and your family are well.

Following on from our recent correspondence regarding <u>safeguarding and wellbeing</u>, we are writing to you again to inform you that we will continue to be proactive in supporting all our students to ensure that they feel safe in school and in the wider community. As you may know child-on-child sexual harassment is a significant national concern.

We are determined that our students feel safe at all times, treat everyone with respect and are always confident to be able to report concerns in the knowledge that they will be listened to and supported.

As part of our ongoing programme of work at St Catherine's College, we are continuing to highlight and address issues concerning healthy relationships and all forms of sexism, sexual harassment, and sexual abuse. In Term 1 of the new academic year there will be a performance to students across the school from the Alter Ego Theatre Company, who will be performing a drama production called 'Unacceptable'. This play aims to promote healthy relationships in an age-appropriate way. The play covers:

- What constitutes a healthy relationship
- What is sexist language and sexual harassment
- What are sexist stereotypes, attitudes, and behaviours
- What is consent
- How young people can respond to and/or report inappropriate behaviours
- How we create lasting change

The content of the production will be described to the students ahead of the performance.

Due to the sensitive nature of this subject, we will be offering additional support during and after the performance. However, should you have any concerns or issues that you may wish to raise, please do not hesitate to contact with us.

Yours faithfully

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