Ken Stimpson Academy Student Safeguarding Newsletter September 2023

Welcome to all the new students joining Ken Stimpson Academy and a welcome return to our current students. We hope you have all had a wonderful summer holiday.

We wanted to take the opportunity to introduce to you the safeguarding and wellbeing team here at Ken Stimpson.



Designated Safeguarding Lead R Mercuri



Miss Holcroft
Deputy
Designated
Lead and
Family Liaison
Officer



Mr Wilson SENDCO and Deputy Safeguarding Lead LAC



Mr Smith Safeguarding Officer



Miss Bradley
Safeguarding
Officer



Mr Whales Headteacher

Over the course of the summer holidays if there have been any circumstances that you believe we need to be aware of and you think you may need some additional support over the coming weeks please come and talk to us as we are here to help.

How can we help?

Safeguarding team have moved offices, Mr Smith and Miss Bradley are now located in block one 1L21 If there have been any safeguarding concerns over the holidays that you feel we need to be aware of or you are worried about a friend please ask to come and see one of us.

Ms Mercuri and Ms Holcroft are still located in Block 2 Student Reception.

Please remember sometimes we may be in meetings so if you would like to see us, send us an email and one of us will pick you up. Safeguarding@kscs.org.uk

Wellbeing support: The wellbeing team have also moved offices and Mrs Gregg and Mrs Nickerson are now located in Block 1 1L24 and Mrs Brackenbury is in 1L22.

If you think you need some additional emotional support, did you know you can refer yourself. Your sessions with the wellbeing team are confidential. Click on the link and fill out the form to get referred. https://www.kscs.org.uk/wellbeing-referral







Trainee Counsellors: Over the past year we have had three trainee counsellors working at Ken Stimpson as part of their university placement. Cristina, Hayley and Paulina will continue to work at the school and the feedback from students and staff who have used the service have found this beneficial. This service is only available to students **aged 15 and over**, if this is something that you would like to be considered for in the first instance please can you email **k.holcroft@kscs.org.uk** and we can arrange to meet with you to allocate you to the right counsellor.

Head of Year/Student Support – For day to day concerns your head of year or student support officer are the best people to get in touch with. If you are experiencing any unkind behaviours, or are worried about anything at all, please talk to your Head of Year or Student support officer. **Remember if we don't know you are worried or upset, we cannot help you!**

Mobile Phones

Mobile phones and technology are good for keeping in touch with your family and friends. However as young adults they are often used to be unkind, intimidating, making threats, asking you to send inappropriate images. If any of this is happening to you, please come and talk to one of us. The school does not tolerate this kind of behaviour, and this is not ok! Again, remember if we don't know we cannot help you!

Please also remember use of mobile phones are not allowed in school.

Safer Schools Police Officer



Our safer schools police officer is PC Baker 1571, he is in school with us every Monday and his role is to help us support students and to keep you safe.

If you are worried about something or think you may have seen something in the local community, please email r.mercuri@kscs.org.uk (or go and see her) and we can arrange for you to meet with PC Baker.

If you are disclosing some information because you are worried about someone's behaviour, we **never** disclose where and who gave us the information.

Help us to help you, lets change poor behaviour together!

Finally

Each term we will be issuing a safeguarding newsletter to give you updates of some of the things that are affecting young people today. If you are interested in getting involved in producing the newsletter, please email us directly on safeguarding@kscs.org.uk.

Regards

Ken Stimpson Academy Safeguarding Team