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Value for this half term: Perseverance

Theme for this week (27 November - 1 December 2023): Perseverance and self-belief

Life Skills theme for the week: We can be patient

Life in All its Fullness:

Last week, we welcomed Hazel Tampin, a Youth Engagement Officer from Norfolk Constabulary. You may recall that we wrote to you about the content of the sessions for each year group, but below you will find a reminder of what was covered.

Please do take some time to talk to your child about what this learned from the sessions.

Our Vision

The Harleston Sancroft Academy is a community that flourishes, through God's love, to live

'Life in All its Fullness'.

(JOHN 10:10 AND JOHN 13:34).

We are a foundation of **Hope**; a family of **Love**; a school of nurture guided by **Faith**; promoting a unique, personalised journey towards excellence.

We have also included some links for support and further information in relation to the various issues raised:

Year 7 - "Online Safety Awareness" We discussed online bullying, harmful contents and the contact young people may have with others online and sexting. Childline – Report Remove - and NSPCC

Year 8 - "Drugs and the Law" We talked about the different classifications of drugs and the law around purchasing things like alcohol and vapes. We discussed possession and supply and raised awareness of County Lines. <u>Talk to Frank</u> 0300 1236600 - and The Matthew Project (Norfolk)

Year 9 - "Respecting Others and Keeping Safe: There's no place for violence". This session looked at respecting others, our communities and the implications of violent, threatening and abusive behaviour. This covered violence (including knife crime and weapons), bullying, anti-social behaviour and hate crime. Fearless

Year 10 & 11 - "Abuse in Relationships" This session discussed the differences between healthy and unhealthy relationship behaviours, and raised awareness of how unhealthy behaviours may become abusive. There was an emphasis on consent, and we discussed the laws that can protect victims. Harbour Centre (Norfolk) - and Leeway (Norfolk and Suffolk) 0300 561 0077

Fundraising success!

It is with great pleasure that I can announce that we raised a total of £494.94, in the secondary phase, for **Children in Need**. Thank you to the students and staff involved in fundraising activities and for everyone's very generous support.



In other good news, we are very grateful to the **Friends of Harleston Sancroft Academy**, who have recently agreed to fund the purchase of new tennis nets for the tennis courts and to help with the acquisition of new rugby posts for the Field. We really appreciate their fantastic support; buying these items will enable our students to make really positive use of the outside space during PE lessons and also during social times.

Please see the recent Facebook post here, with details about how parents/carers can register with easyfundraising, which means you can raise additional funds for the Friends of Harleston Sancroft Academy every time you shop online. Over 7,000 brands will donate when you use easyfundraising to shop with them – at no extra cost to yourself.

On a very different note, at the end of this week, on 2 December, the UN and charities across the world stand together to recognise the **International Day for the Abolition of Slavery**.

As the charity Anti-Slavery International explains: "Modern slavery is closer than you think and is present in every part of the UK. You might even see people trapped in slavery without knowing it. It might be someone working in a private home on your street; the person working in the car wash in town; or the cleaner who empties your office bin every night. It can be difficult to spot the signs, but if you are concerned about someone, please call the modern slavery helpline.

While it is impossible to know the full extent of modern slavery in the UK, the Home Office released data to demonstrate the numbers of people referred to authorities. At the end of 2021 there were: 12,727 potential victims of modern slavery – the highest number of referrals since the records began in 2009, 43% of all of these were children – meaning there were 5,468 potential child victims. Criminal exploitation is often driven by the cultivation and sale of drugs in the UK, especially by exploiting children. This includes British children forced into 'county lines' drug trafficking. You can read more about the UN's commitment to the abolition of slavery here.

Key dates for the next few weeks:

Mon 27 November: start of Year 10 exams Mon 4 December: Year 11 Results Event (13:55)

Fri 8 & Sat 9 December: Trip to the Germany - Christmas Markets Every Saturday: Year 11 Maths Revision sessions with Mr Sherington

School website and X/Twitter: The <u>school website</u> is a useful source of information. Please also visit the Harleston Sancroft Academy <u>X/Twitter feed</u> for photos and updates.

Prayer for self-belief:

Heavenly Father, I come to you seeking confidence and assurance to persevere. Help me to chase goals and dreams that are in line with your will. When I am plagued by self-doubt and fear of failure, remind me that all things are possible with you. When I struggle with negative self-talk and limiting beliefs, fill me with your strength and resilience. Through your Spirit, remind me that your ways are higher than my ways. Give me the confidence to fully trust in you. Guide me along the straight path and do not let my foot slip. Thank you, Jesus, for your constant support and encouragement, even in my moments of uncertainty.

Amen.

"Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding; in all your ways submit to him, and he will make your paths straight." – Proverbs 3:5-6