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Dear Parents and Carers

On Thursday 2nd November we have our first Curriculum Enrichment Day of the year, focusing on PSHE themes. The school day runs as normal, and students need to be in full school uniform.

For Year 11, students will focus on:

- An assembly with Brook (https://www.brook.org.uk/) looking at condom and contraception use. This is delivered in an age appropriate and inclusive way.
- A focus on Sexual Transmitted Infections, safe sex and healthy relationships. This is taught in an ageappropriate way and is focused on prevention rather than encouragement.
- A session with YZUP (https://www.wearewithyou.org.uk/services/cornwall-for-young-people/), a charity focused on working with young people to help them understand the harm and dangers of drugs and substance abuse and looking at where they can seek help and guidance if needed. Again, this focuses on prevention rather than encouragement.
- A focus on the laws around Protected Characteristics and why using racist or discriminatory language is hurtful and damaging.
- A focus on Vaping and the health issues related to this habit. We will be watching the recent BBC
 Panorama documentary and discussing the ways in which we should deal with this issue.

Our tutors and pastoral team will be on hand to support any students who find these issues challenging and we will ensure our classrooms have clear ground rules and boundaries.

As always, you are welcome to email me to discuss this or any other issue related to PSHE provision at Poltair School, my email address is cprice@poltair.cornwall.sch.uk.

Yours sincerely

Mrs Clare Price

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