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Dear Parent/Carer,

I am writing to inform you we have invited Loudmouth Education and Training in to present a production to our Y9 students, tackling the issues of sexual violence and harassment.

We know the best protection we can give to young people is knowledge of the dangers so they are aware and can protect themselves, as well as letting them know where they can go for help and support if they are worried. The interactive play they deliver to Year 9 will tackle these difficult issues, and takes place on Thursday 11th January. The play is called "Calling it Out" and raises awareness of sexual behaviours, sexual harassment, sexual assault, pornography, consent and misogyny.

We will provide an information sheet, designed with input from young people, to all pupils on where to go if they are worried about any of the issues raised within the play. School staff will also be on hand to help with questions.

The Calling it Out programme supports the ongoing work in schools and colleges to create a culture where sexual harassment and sexual abuse are not tolerated and is being funded by the Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner and Gloucestershire Healthy Living and Learning and is supported by Gloucestershire Safeguarding Children Partnership and all Partner Agencies in the county.

All children and young people have a right to grow up safe from abuse and harassment. Settings working with children and young people are central to framing a safeguarding ethos, and creating protected spaces for children and young people to explore healthy relationships. There is a duty for settings to ensure they take action to keep children and young people safe.

There is a strong emphasis on safeguarding children and young people from harm by; changing expectation, challenging unacceptable behaviour and improving children and young people's knowledge and understanding of healthy relationships.

If you have any questions regarding this upcoming performance please don't hesitate to get in touch.

Yours sincerely,



Mrs M Dempsey
Head of PSHE