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Dear Parents and Carers

You will be aware that, as a part of your child's educational experience at Wreake Valley Academy, we aim to promote personal wellbeing and development through a comprehensive taught programme of Personal Development (PD) education. This gives children and young people the knowledge, understanding, attitudes and practical skills to live healthy, safe, productive and fulfilled lives, both now and in the future.

In Key Stage 4 the Personal Development programme is known as Adulthood, Careers and Employability (ACE) and it covers three main areas: Health and Wellbeing, Relationships and Living in the Wider World. This term in Year 10 will focus on the Health and Wellbeing aspect of the programme. We will be covering the following topics in lessons:

- Factors that affect physical and mental health
- Causes, symptoms and treatments for some mental health disorders
- Managing stress that may result from using social media
- The effects of alcohol and other substances and the law regarding alcohol and illegal substances
- Being health aware making lifestyle choices that contribute to living healthily and developing strategies for disease prevention including awareness of testicular and breast cancer

To support your child with their learning it would be beneficial to discuss these topics at home. If there is anything you would like the school to be aware of that you haven't previously informed the school about then please don't hesitate to contact myself or the relevant Head of Year.

Thank you very much for your support.

Yours sincerely

Daniel Robinson Head of Personal Development





