

Friday 11th September 2026

Dear Parents/Carers

Peer Mentoring Programme – Year 5

We are pleased to share that our school is introducing a Peer Mentoring Programme to further support the wellbeing, confidence and sense of belonging of our Year 5 pupils.

As part of the programme, selected Year 8 pupils will take on the role of Peer Mentors, providing friendly and positive support to our Year 5 mentees. The aim is to give pupils another trusted and familiar face within school, someone they can talk to, spend time with and seek encouragement from.

Peer Mentors will be able to support Year 5 pupils with things such as friendships, confidence, settling into school routines, worries about school and developing a stronger sense of belonging. Sometimes, simply having an older pupil who is willing to listen and offer encouragement can make a real difference.

Our Peer Mentors will receive appropriate training in communication, listening skills, empathy, inclusion and knowing when a concern should be passed on to an adult. All mentoring will take place with staff guidance and supervision, and pupils will always be encouraged to speak to a trusted adult where additional support is needed.

For our Year 5 pupils, being a mentee is a positive opportunity. It is not a reflection that a child has done anything wrong or is experiencing difficulties. The programme is designed to build confidence, encourage positive relationships and help pupils feel happy, supported and included within our school community.

We hope the programme will also help strengthen relationships between different year groups and encourage a culture in which pupils look out for, encourage and support one another.

Further information will be shared with pupils about how the programme will work and how they can become involved.

If you have any questions or would like to discuss the Peer Mentoring Programme further, please contact Ms Oakes via the main office.

Thank you for your continued support as we work together to create a kind, inclusive and supportive school community where every pupil feels that they belong.

Yours sincerely



Ms T Oakes
Peer Mentor Lead