



9 January 2019

Dear Parent / Carer

**PARENTS/CARERS DRUG AWARENESS EVENING - WEDNESDAY 16 JANUARY**

At George Pindar School we are committed to providing our students with opportunities to learn the skills they need for a long, successful and healthy life. This includes essential drug and alcohol education - which is age appropriate and part of the National Curriculum.

Whilst this school-based learning is very important, a consistent and supportive approach from home regarding this matter is invaluable. As a school we are working very closely with the Scarborough Community Impact Team and the Police to safeguard our students and feel that a link between home, school and these services is extremely important.

We would therefore like to invite all parents/carers to a Drug Awareness Evening on **Wednesday 16 January** from 6.00pm to 8.00pm, at **Coventry University, Scarborough.**

The workshop will be delivered by representatives from North Yorkshire Police, North Yorkshire County Council's Prevention Service and Youth Justice Service and the District NHS Foundation Trust Healthy Child Team.

The workshop will provide:

- Practical, up-to-date information about alcohol and drugs including cannabis, cocaine, MDMA and New Psychoactive Substances (previously known as 'legal highs').
- Information on the legal, health and social risks of substance misuse.
- Information on the local situation regarding drug and alcohol use.
- Useful tips on how to talk about this sensitive subject at home.
- Details of where to go for additional information and support.
- A question and answer session for parents to learn more.

The event is free of charge and there is no need to book a place.

If you would like further information, please contact:

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Yours sincerely

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