

Wednesday 31 March 2021

Dear Parents,

Following recent public dismay as a result of sexist language, harassment and assaults within education, it is important for all schools to reflect on how students are safeguarded and educated in this area.

In addition, we should also be mindful of the division that recent events have caused and ensure that we educate and celebrate the value and benefits of belonging to such a diverse community.

This week I have led assemblies on this theme. Drawing both on recent events alongside the protests last year following the killing of George Floyd, I shared the importance of both never accepting prejudiced or discriminatory language or behaviour and the responsibility of *all* in the school community to work together to insist on upholding our fundamental British values of tolerance and respect towards all students and staff. Several reflection questions have been shared with tutors to help students to discuss and engage with this important conversation. We will follow up with a workshop led by senior staff and your child's tutor on Thursday 22 April 2021.

Children's safety is always our prime concern so it is important for me to stress that the school treats any discriminatory or abusive behaviour very seriously and will investigate any allegations thoroughly in line with our safeguarding policy and procedures.

Please get in touch via office@haverstock.camden.sch.uk if you have any questions, suggestions or concerns.

Yours faithfully



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