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Dear Parent/Carer

## Peer on Peer Abuse

You may have seen recent national headlines regarding safeguarding of students in schools, particularly with regards to sexual harassment including Peer on Peer abuse. At Helston Community College, we have an extensive set of procedures and support strategies for the safeguarding of our students. However, we are always looking to develop this further.

On Tuesday Monday 18 July Year 9 students will take part in a sexual harassment and peer-on-peer abuse awareness workshop. These sessions aim to raise awareness of what constitutes sexual harassment and peer-on-peer abuse. We will also provide essential advice and guidance to support students who have experienced any form or sexual harassment and how to report that both within school and externally.

Following workshops, there will be an ongoing programme of support provided through PSHE lessons. In line with our Relationships and Sexual Education policy, which is available on the College website, we will continue to deliver a powerful, supportive curriculum that aims to keep all children safe.

The government have announced a dedicated NSPCC helpline for any children who may have concerns about sexual abuse or harassment: 0800 136 663.

We continue to encourage all students and parents/carers to report any concerns they may have to the Helston Community College Safeguarding team.

Thank you for your continued support in keeping the students at Helston Community College safe.

Kind regards

Yours sincerely

Mrs M Mugford Assistant Headteacher

