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Dear Parent/Carer

Personal Development Curriculum – Term 3 – Information for Parents

Alongside a broad and balanced academic curriculum, students at Brookfield Community School also receive an extensive personal development curriculum called Life 360. To complement this there are many opportunities for students outside of the classroom, all of which can be found in our Curriculum plus programme: <https://www.brookfieldcs.org.uk/attachments/download.asp?file=1112>

This term promises to be a hive of opportunities with clubs on offer including Stem Club, Warhammer Club, Chess Club, Badminton, Homework Club, Dance Club, Duke of Edinburgh and the list goes on.

There are also opportunities to enter competitions, such as the choreography dance competition, inter-house chess, and the recent Redhill Trust annual handball competition where BCS came second. We are also looking to take part in some 'friendly' events in Badminton, Netball and Handball competing against Tupton Hall School; these competitions will complement the current fixture lists that are organised by our PE department.

As part of our quality assurance of our co-curriculum offer we are inviting parents and students alike to complete the attached surveys. All schools in the Redhill Trust will have the opportunity to complete these surveys and they will help drive next year's programme of events and clubs.

- Parent survey: <https://forms.office.com/e/4RDZrHZgdk>
- Student survey: <https://forms.office.com/e/4U4uFDyZ7g>

In Key Stage 3 (Years 7,8 & 9) students attend a fortnightly one-hour Life 360 lesson alongside three calendared age specific drop down sessions.

In Key Stages 4 & 5 (Years 10, 11, 12 & 13) students attend calendared drop down sessions where age specific content is taught, for example drugs, consent, alcohol, Higher education applications, Student Finance etc.

All students attend 2 x 25 minute Life 360 sessions every week, during vertical tutor time, where personal development topics are covered, including SMSC (spiritual, moral, social and cultural development) and the fundamental British Values.

Personal Development Topics covered in Term 3:

- Safeguarding
- Financial matters (including taxation and insurance)
- Tolerance and diversity (including LGBTQ+)
- Health & wellbeing
- Mental health
- Careers
- Internet safety
- Study skills

- Charity
- Resilience
- Healthy relationships and consent
- Radicalisation and Prevent
- Stress Management

If you have any queries on the above, please contact us at:

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Yours faithfully

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