

Rivers Academy Parent Forum

Date 2/11/23

Focus Group: All Parents across Campus - Rivers Academy and Space Studio

Topic: Social Media

Area of discussion	Notes	Actions
Social Media	<p>Sunita Khara (DSL Rivers Academy) and Dee Fernandes (DSL Space Studio) introduced the aims of the forum:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Helping parents to keep our students safe ● Removing obstacles to learning and attendance ● Promoting mental health ● Supporting parents manage screen time and app usages ● Understanding what parents are concerned about and need support with <p>Sunita Khara then shared some of the issues that both schools encounter with social media</p>	
PSHE curriculum	<p>Tim Wormald (Assistant Principal, Rivers Academy) shared how we use the curriculum at Rivers to safeguard children through our 5 year Personal Development learning journey (5 year learning journey)</p> <p>This included explaining:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● The spiral nature of the curriculum so students return to topics each year in an age appropriate manner ● The six themes through the curriculum RSE (relationship and sex education), Health, Safety, Values, Equality and Careers <p>He then gave some examples of how the curriculum is different for online media in year 7 to year 8 and through to year 11. For example in year 7 students learn about online bullying, in year 8 they will learn about the dangers of image sharing and in year 10/11 we discuss the impact of pornography on society.</p>	<p>Parents are always welcome to view the resources used to teach PSHE/Personal Development. If they wish to do so, they can contact:</p> <p>twormald@rivers-aspirations.org</p>
Advice on	Sixth formers demonstrated the following apps to	

specific apps	parents in small groups and demonstrated how the apps work, how students interact on it, some of the major dangers and advised parents on how to use security/privacy settings to keep their children safe.	
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PSHE curriculum consultation	<p>Parents were invited to give feedback on the PSHE curriculum and RSHE curriculum.</p> <p>An online form exists on the website for feedback.</p> <p>Feedback received on the evening suggested that parents in attendance were impressed with the breadth and depth of the curriculum, especially the coverage of personal finance in every</p>	<p>Parents are invited to share feedback on the PSHE and RSHE curriculum through https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSc7bXp0yFoCCXn0_b8LBUVxuwgu.</p>
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