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Dear Parents,

KICKASH PROGRAMME FOR YEAR 6 PUPILS

As part of our planned work in PSHE and Science, we are pleased to be able to offer the children in Year 6 the exciting opportunity to work with students from Cromwell Community College as part of the Cambridgeshire Kick Ash Programme. This is a programme led by young people, encouraging their peers to be proud to be smoke free.

The students who will be working with us have been trained as mentors, as part of the Kick Ash programme. Their work with us will focus on the following areas:

- Recognising peer influence and its affect on decision making and behaviour;
- Developing understanding of healthy lifestyle choices;
- Developing attitudes towards the presentation of tobacco in the media;

The work will not directly review the children's understanding of the health affects of smoking, but will focus on peer influence, image and identity as reasons why a few young people choose to start smoking in their teenage years.

You may wish to discuss smoking with your child, to ensure they understand your views and those of your family. You might like to have a look at www.smokesnojoke.org.uk.

The Year 10 students will be visiting on Thursday, 8th March and we would be very pleased to welcome you into the classroom for the last 15 minutes of the afternoon session at 2:45 p.m. to meet the Kick Ash mentors and see what your children have been learning about. Please could you let Mrs. Clarke know whether or not you are able to come.

If you would like any further information about Kick Ash, please visit www.kickash.org.uk. For information about stopping smoking, please visit www.camquit.nhs.uk or call 0800 018 4304.

Yours sincerely,

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