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Dear Parent/Carer

CLEAR (Children Linked to and Experiencing Abusive Relationships) Healthy Relationships Programme

As part of a Government initiative CLEAR have been contracted by Cornwall Safety Partnership (part of the County Council) to deliver our Healthy Relationships Programme in all Cornish schools over the next 4 years. CLEAR will be working in Looe Community Academy from **Monday 11 May 2015** with the Year 8 and 9.

The programme will take 4 weeks, with a lesson a week during school time, and the aims are:

- To promote healthy relationships and have an understanding of what is an unhealthy relationship;
- To have a good understanding of sexual relationship including the meaning of “freedom and capacity to consent”;
- To be able to identify various types of abuse, signs of abuse, the impact of abuse and ways to cope with abuse including how and where to ask for help;
- To develop communication skills, improve self-esteem and have respect for themselves and others.

Workshop One: How society views gender, sexuality, race and age within relationships. How we treat our peers and understanding social pressures. The implications of ‘Sexting’. What is domestic violence and where to access help.

Workshop Two: How do pop artists portray healthy and unhealthy relationships? What does abusive behaviour look like? What do we need for a healthy relationship?

Workshop Three: What is sexual abuse? What is grooming? How to stay safe online. The freedom of consent within a sexual relationship. What does the law say?

Workshop Four: Summing up what has been explored and discussed in previous three workshops. The signs and symptoms of an abusive relationship and where to go to access help.

The programme will be led by qualified therapists who specialise in working with children and young people, they will be able to support the emotional wellbeing of the students in the workshops. The workshops are based on drama, music and art activities to help develop an understanding of the aims set out above.

To hear further details about what the workshops will entail we will be providing a parent presentation on **Thursday 30 April 5.00pm–6.00pm** that we hope you can attend.

If you have any queries about the programme and what it involves please contact me.

We hope that you consider it a worthwhile programme for your child to undertake but if you **do not** wish your child to participate please sign the declining slip below and return it to school by 5 May.

Many thanks.

Yours faithfully

Mrs Helen Casson
Deputy Headteacher

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CLEAR Healthy Relationships Programme

Student's Name _____ Tutor Group _____

I **do not** want my child to attend the Healthy Relationships workshops

Signed Date

Print Name

Please return to Student Services