Ref: LD/RHI/KB/Year 9 Production

16th February 2022

Dear Parent/Carer



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We are writing to let you know that on Friday 18th February Year 9 pupils will be watching a production called **'What's your poison'** put on by a theatre in education group. This production will supplement our PSHE curriculum by exploring the idea of substance abuse, misuse and how to make positive decisions about their personal mental and physical health.

The performance is designed to:

- Challenge perceptions, preconceptions and myths surrounding substance misuse
- Investigate the dangers of substance misuse and the possible consequences.
- Demonstrate the consequences of alcohol misuse
- Increase understanding of the law concerning cannabis
- Explore and challenge attitudes to the use of legal and illegal drugs
- Encourage personal responsibility
- Identify and investigate effective ways to challenge peer pressure and peer influence surrounding substance misuse
- Highlight the importance of positive role models and their influence on behaviours

As these topics are so important we wanted to ensure that, as parents/carers, you were aware of this performance so that you can support with conversations at home to reinforce these messages. As a school we recognise that where we can work in partnership with parents and carers we are able to give our pupils the very best understanding of topics, issues and choices they may face as they get older.

If you have any questions please contact us via postbox@barrbeaconschool.co.uk.

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Yours sincerely

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