

Dear Parent/Carer,

At Heron Hall Academy we are proud of not only the outstanding academic grades that students achieve, but also the range of opportunities that students have to increase their cultural capital and social mobility.

In July, we will be working with St John's Ambulance to train all students in years 7-10 to be able to use life-saving skills and to administer basic first aid.

Students will undertake The St John's Ambulance Young Responders Programme. This programme will equip students with vital skills designed to help themselves, or someone in their community. The programme is active, scenario-based and will require students to actively participate. The workshop covers three main themes, mental health and first aid, physical first aid and street violence. Specific topics under each theme will include mental health conditions and supporting somebody with their mental health, how to carry out CPR, putting somebody in the recovery position and treating a severe or catastrophic bleed.

I am sure that you will agree with me that this is an amazing opportunity and will provide your child with the opportunity to potentially preserve life. Please speak to your child about this and acknowledge the importance of developing these skills and attending the workshop.

#### **Dates for the Young Responders Programme**

- Monday 10<sup>th</sup> July – Year 7
- Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> July – Year 8
- Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> July – Year 9
- Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> July – Year 10

All workshops will be delivered by a team of expert facilitators provided by St John's Ambulance who will bring a wealth of knowledge and experience. Again, this is a fantastic opportunity to develop some vital skills that could ultimately one day save someone's life.

If you would like to discuss the Young Responders Programme further or would like to find out more information about further development and training opportunities, please do not hesitate to contact me on the school email or telephone number.

Yours Sincerely,



Mr Molokwu

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