

This week at the end of Black History month our **ARE** focus of **Respect** has incorporated all elements of diversity in our community and has explicitly asked all of our school to "Hear it, call it out, report it" if they hear any language that is harmful, prejudicial or discriminatory.

We have made it clear that at Thorpe St Andrew School and Sixth Form, we will show respect to everyone, regardless of race, gender, sexuality or disability and be mindful of our choice of words. Every classroom has a poster displaying our brilliant diversity mural and reminding students that at Thorpe St Andrew School and Sixth Form we **RESPECT** everyone by using inclusive language that supports the well-being of everyone in our community.

We understand that sometimes people of all ages including young people will say something that has no intention of harm. That is why in the first place, we will aim to educate and speak with students before considering any further consequences. Please support us in this by discussing at home how language matters and that the first step for anyone to feel safe and included in a community is to know that they will not hear something that hurts them.

## WARE HERS #WeAREHere

<del>attendance</del>

Our attendance matters focus for this week is the impact of a student's engagement with the opportunities offered in school. In particular, we looked at the ways in which being in school, engaging in both lessons and in social time, builds confidence and enhances social skills. We are told by our Business Links that employers value "soft skills". The Government website lists these skills as being attractive to employers, being in school and engaging with the full experience offered at Thorpe will clearly develop these skills in our students. Please follow this <u>link</u> to our fabulous extra-curricular clubs. Do not forget to book your Curriculum Enhancement Week Activity here.

## LEADERS

The Independent Office for Police Conduct (IOPC)'s Youth Panel have launched their youth-led survey which aims to gather the views of thousands of young people on policing and police complaints.

This has been designed by members of the youth panel based on the issues they find important and what areas of police contact they will be valuable to gain more understanding of. **The survey aims to:** 

- Understand young people's lived experiences of policing
- Examine trust in policing and police complaints
- Look into local differences across England and Wales
- Involve young people in developing future solutions.

The survey is open to young people aged **13-25 years across England and Wales**. Young people can take the survey <u>here</u>.

## Examples of soft skills

Soft skills are more likely to be the kind you pick up through life experience, like how you:

- communicate and work with others
- make decisions
- organise yourself and work
- adapt to difficult situations

When you apply for a job you will need to show that you have the soft skills needed



During the month of October we celebrated Black History Month at Thrope through an after school community event, the presentation of our Thorpe Mural, our poetry competition and a special educational day dedicated to diverse stories and a guest speaker. During the classroom session our students were asked to research diverse stories that celebrated black individuals across a range of subjects. Well done again to everyone for taking part and a special mention to the following students who are to be congratulated for producing outstanding contributions: Joshua Appleton-Burwood and Honey Pitcher (Y7), Mathew Brooks, Evan Butcher, Runakorwashe Chinyani, Charlie Dickerson, Caspar Loxton-Free, Mya Youngs (Y8), Tom Breed, Gabrielle Cooke, Hollie Drisolle, Ruby Fiddy, Aulona Potera, Jenna Fox (Y9), Taylor Atkins, Daniel Freeby, Ben Humphrey-Wright (Y10).





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Thank you to Crown Point Estates, who provided the pumpkins for our Pumpkin Design Competition.





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