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Dear Parent/Guardian

***Smashed Live* presented by Collingwood Learning**

As part of our broader curriculum, the PSMSC programme has been designed to develop our students on 7 Core Themes over their time at MECE. This is achieved through timetabled PHSE lessons as well as our tutor and assembly programmes and various specialist workshops throughout the year. One of the Core Themes is Personal Health and Risk and Safety. To supplement the work our students have undertaken in the classroom, Year 7 and 8 will be watching a performance of *Smashed Live* presented by Collingwood Learning.

Smashed Live provides students with an opportunity to observe, explore and reflect on vital underage drinking themes including:

- The social and emotional causes
- The impact on young lives
- Social influence and decision making
- Where and how to help themselves and others

Smashed Live empowers young people to explore the themes raised through a natural fascination with the characters and their choices. What attitudes drove them to do what they did? How do they feel now? What could they do differently to get a better outcome?

By interacting with the characters, learners rapidly identify the causes and consequences of underage drinking. Playing director, they re-shape the story and develop new attitudes and behaviours that will help them make the right choices in their own lives.

Students learn to recognise social dynamics at play, personal responsibility, decision making and communication. Collingwood Learning believe these are the essential building blocks to guarding against many risks and creating positive futures.

The performance will take place via Microsoft Teams on Tuesday 18 May at 2.10pm.

If you have any further questions, or would like your child to opt out then please contact me via email.

Best wishes

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Miss S Cheeseman
Coordinator of PSMSC