



# Bishop's Hatfield Girls' School

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Dear Parents and Carers,

## Request for feedback regarding wellbeing and mental health in school

I have recently been appointed as the school's Mental Health Lead. I am sure you are aware of the increasing rates of mental health issues in young people which have been much reported in recent years. In an effort to provide efficient and meaningful mental health support for young people the government has announced that all schools should appoint a mental health lead by 2025<sup>1</sup>.

Mental Health Leads will oversee the help the school gives to pupils with mental health problems; help staff to spot pupils who show signs of mental health problems; offer advice to staff about mental health and oversee the referral of children to specialist services.

The wellbeing of our pupils has always been a priority and the school has embraced this opportunity to review and improve the support, advice and guidance available in school.

As part of the process of identifying the areas in need of development we are asking for pupils, parents/carers and staff to complete an online survey about wellbeing and mental health in our school community.

All responses are anonymous and I would be very grateful for any feedback or suggestions. We will use the results of the surveys to identify and prioritise areas for development. The more responses to the survey that we receive, the more accurate the picture of wellbeing will be.

The parent/carer's survey can be found here:

<https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=I33kl7QinkSLObQpbNEFg1sidp7WWTBLkPxBSnJldrdURVBYTIZOSkhQQTBDMFdEQIlg3OTUzMUQ0WC4u>

The pupil survey can be found here:

<https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=I33kl7QinkSLObQpbNEFg1sidp7WWTBLkPxBSnJldrdUMIA0TEpBOE5YS0pFWVIGQ1I1TjYxME82OS4u>

If you have any questions or would like to discuss aspects of wellbeing and mental health in school, please contact me. If you have any concerns about your daughter's mental health or wellbeing please continue to contact her Form Tutor or Head of Year.

Yours sincerely,  
Miss S Lawrence  
**Mental Health Lead**  
**Head of Year 8**

<sup>1</sup> Child and adolescent mental health green paper - Governmental report 25th July 2018.

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