

Bishop's Hatfield Girls' School

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Dear Parents / Carers,

On **Friday 26th January 2024** your child will be receiving an educational talk about youth violence, gangs and county lines in school.

The talk will be delivered by **Reach Every Generation**, an organisation that supports young people who are involved in or at risk of criminal exploitation, serious violence and crime. Reach Every Generation offers hope and opportunity to young people directly and also empowers them with the knowledge to make positive choices about their future. The speakers who will be delivering the talks all have lived experience of the themes discussed and will talk to students about the risks and consequences of engaging with these types of behaviour.

Though the talks are age appropriate it is important to reach out to you to let you know the themes that will be discussed in case they may trigger emotion in your child. If you believe that this talk may trigger emotion in your child we recommend that you get in touch with your child's Head of Year who will be able to discuss further with you.

For parents, carers and other family members we will be running an online awareness session on **Monday 25th March** from 5pm which will give you the opportunity to also learn more about this topic. The session will cover gangs, county lines and youth violence, how to spot the signs and how to support a young person who may become involved. For more information and to book a place please visit:

https://WelHatCommunityAwareness.eventbrite.co.uk

These talks have been made possible from funding from Hertfordshire Police and Crime Commissioner and your local Community Safety Partnership.

If you have any questions regarding the talks, please feel free to contact me or the Community Safety Partnership at <u>feelsafe@welhat.gov.uk</u>

Kind regards,

Mrs M Jackson

Assistant Headteacher



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