

15 April 2024

Dear Parent/Carer

Progressive Masculinity Workshops

Your child has been given the opportunity to take part in a program of workshops designed to explore attitudes towards masculinity.

The program will take place at the school on Thursday 18th and Friday 19th April and is run by Progressive Masculinity Ltd (www.progressivemasculinity.co.uk), a company with vast experience of working with boys and young men within the education system. Progressive Masculinity's work has been featured in The Times, The Daily Telegraph, BBC Radio and a Channel 4 documentary.

The program is very practical and addresses areas such as:

- Effective communication
- Male friendships
- Anger management, de-escalation and self-regulation
- Attitudes towards education
- Masculinity in the digital world (social media, influencers etc)
- Attitudes towards women and LGBTQ+
- Aspirations and Role Models

At the conclusion of the workshops, the group will be given the opportunity to develop ways in which their understanding of masculinity could be shared with other pupils within the school.

We also want to make parents aware we have selected students based on the fact we view them as being leaders within their peer group, with the potential ability to have a positive influence on others, regardless of prior conduct.

If you have any questions, or would prefer that your child didn't take part, then please do not hesitate to get in touch with me via s.oakford@normanby.outwood.com

Yours faithfully

Mr Sam Oakford
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