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Dear Parent/Carer

Community Awareness Day at Haileybury Turnford Tuesday 5th March 2019

As part of the Community Project to tackle Youth Violence, Haileybury Turnford in collaboration with other local schools in the area has held a Youth Community Awareness Day, inviting guest speaker Alison Cope.

Anti-violence Campaigner, Alison Cope gave presentations to students in Years 7 -12 about the dangers of knife crime and how students can take steps to keep themselves safe.

Students also received information about knife crime and the dangers of crime during Tutor time sessions and were encouraged to reflect and think about the potential consequences of making a choice to carry a knife.

Alison Cope is an anti-violence campaigner and mother of Joshua Ribera who was murdered in 2013. She works with 1000's of young people nationally to educate them about the dangers and real consequences of youth violence.

After the session many students commented about how they had thought the presentation was relevant and interesting. Students commented about how Alison's presentation made them think about actions and choices they choose and how their actions can have an impact upon their family and friends.

If you would like any further information about how you can support your child please look at the advice and link below given in a guide provided by the Home Office about how parents and carers can talk to their child about knives.

http://www.knifecrimes.org/000904_KNIFE_A5_LEAFLET.pdf

If you have concerns about any of the issues raised during the presentation or relating to this issue, please do not hesitate to contact your child's Year Achievement Coordinator.

Yours faithfully



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