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Dear Parents/Carers,

RE: PERSONAL DEVELOPMENT QUESTIONNAIRE

At Chase Terrace Academy, we take great pride in the positive relationships we cultivate with our pupils, guided by our core values of community, tenacity, aspiration, and respect for 'The CTA Way.' These values underpin everything we do, and through our personal development programmes, we extend these relationships beyond the academic curriculum. Our commitment is to offer a wide range of experiences and opportunities that nurture and develop our pupils into responsible citizens.

As part of our dedication to this, we have been working towards the Excellence in Pupil Development Award. Over the past eighteen months, significant strides have been made to enhance our Personal Development provision. One key change has been the restructuring of form times: the period from 8:30am to 9:00am is now dedicated as a Personal Development lesson. During these sessions, pupils explore a range of PSHE topics throughout the academic year. For example, a recent lesson focused on the nine protected characteristics of discrimination under the Equality Act 2010. Pupils discussed how to treat others fairly, considering race, equality, and discrimination, and examined real-life scenarios to promote understanding and positive responses within the wider community.

In addition to these lessons, Personal Development sessions have addressed topics such as the British Values and commemorating historical events, such as D-Day and Black History Month. We also organised a successful drop-down day, where pupils participated in various workshops tailored to their year groups. We have another drop-down day scheduled for March, which will continue to expand our pupils' personal development through a variety of workshops and activities. We have also welcomed external speakers to address topics such as road safety, anti-vaping, and drug and alcohol awareness.

As part of our work towards the Excellence in Pupil Development Award, it is essential for us to gather feedback from all stakeholders, including pupils, parents/carers, governors, and staff. We understand that, as parents/carers, you are asked to complete surveys regularly and all of these are important to our school improvement agenda. The feedback gained from this questionnaire is crucial to shaping the future of our programmes and ensuring we continue to meet the needs of every pupil in our community. We would be incredibly grateful if you could take a few moments to complete this survey, which will be emailed to yourselves on Monday 20th January. Your participation will make a significant difference in our efforts to provide the best possible environment for your child's growth and development.

Thank you for your continued support.

Yours faithfully,

Mr D Inman
Assistant Headteacher