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Dear parents and carers,

Year six are planning educational visits to The Ben Kinsella exhibition currently running in Barking. The pupils will be visiting the Knife Crime and Youth Violence workshop that is provided free of charge to all pupils in Barking and Dagenham. Classes will be going on the following dates and returning in time for lunch at school:

6B - Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> November 2024

6L – Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> November 2024

6I – Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> November 2024

We know all young people learn differently so pupils will have access to combined role play, video testimony featuring real life stories, quizzes and surveys designed to keep young people engaged. During workshops the pupils move through 5 different themed rooms, guided by trained facilitators and actors who provide age-appropriate guidance, interaction and content.

The Ben Kinsella Trust educate young people on the dangers of knife crime and help them to make positive choices to stay safe. The workshops will follow the journey of both the victim and the offender through a series of unique and immersive experiences to show young people how choices and consequences are intrinsically linked.

The workshops change young people's attitudes to knife crime; debunking the myth that carrying a knife will protect you. They strengthen peer values; ensuring young people give better advice to each other and challenge peers who are carrying (or thinking of carrying) a knife.

If you would like more information on the Ben Kinsella trust please go to [The Ben Kinsella Trust | #StopKnifeCrime](#)

Consent for the trip will be available on ParentPay, there will be no charge for this trip however if you would like to make a voluntary donation to the Ben Kinsella Trust this can be made via ParentPay and we will arrange for all donations to be paid to the charity.

Yours sincerely,

Mr. David Huntingford  
Headteacher