

23rd January 2020

Dear Headteacher

I am writing to tell you about an exciting, fully funded pilot project we are launching in 2020 which we would like to invite your school to participate in.

As a cornerstone of the Caring2Learn project, we have been offering school staff access to Restorative Practice training for the last two years. We have received 100% positive feedback on this training and have been researching the positive impact of Restorative and Relational Approaches on improved student behavior and reduction of exclusion in schools. In order to study this further we have developed a comprehensive training and support offer which we are opening to ten secondary schools across Lincolnshire.

We would like to invite your school to take part in a this Restorative Practice Peer Mentoring pilot programme developing Relational Approaches and student Peer Mentors in schools. This is an excellent opportunity for your school to get involved in a national research project working alongside Mark Finnis from L30 Relational Systems who have been instrumental in developing the highly successful restorative approach at Carr Manor Academy in Leeds. We are also working in conjunction with LiNCHigher who have provided funding alongside Caring2Learn to offer this at no charge to schools. However, we will require a commitment from the school to fully participate in the training and development activities and complete the research impact reports. There will also be the opportunity to support the development of Peer Mentors in other settings in the future.

The programme will include:

- An opportunity for Senior Leaders to visit Carr Manor for a Leadership Immersion Day (including travel and accommodation expenses)
- A whole staff INSET session in school as an Introduction to Restorative and Relational Practice
- A two day in depth training course for up to two school based RP Leads
- Two days training for a team of student Peer Mentor aimed at developing their peer mediation skills and knowledge to support Restorative Practice in your school
- Support visits from the Caring2Learn team during the summer and autumn terms to see your Peer Mentors in action
- A Project Review and Celebration event day when all the Senior Leaders, School Leads and Peer Mentors will meet up to share their progress, challenges and successes.
- Full support from the Caring2Learn team throughout



I do hope you will consider joining us on this exciting project but at this stage we are just looking for expressions of interest. If you would like to find out more we are holding an information session for anyone interested to have any questions answered on Thursday 5th March 2020 1.00pm-3.30pm in the Newland Room, County Offices, Newland, Lincoln LN11LY.

Kind regards



Krysta Parsons
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Restorative Practice Pilot Project

I confirm my school would like to attend the information session on Thursday 5th March

School:		Email Address & Contact Number:
Attending:		
Role:		

Signed:

Date: