

KILDWICK CE PRIMARY SCHOOL

Learning to Live, Living to Love, Loving to Learn

Workplace Health and Wellbeing Strategy

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1. Introduction

- 1.1 Kildwick CE VC Primary School recognises the importance of supporting and promoting the health and wellbeing of all staff and that this can have a positive impact on their work performance and attendance.
- 1.2 Health relates to a person's physical and mental condition. Wellbeing is the subjective state of being healthy, happy, contented, comfortable and satisfied with one's quality of life. Mental wellbeing relates to a person's emotional and psychological wellbeing. This includes self-esteem and the ability to socialise and cope in the face of adversity. It also includes being able to develop potential, work productively and creatively, build strong and positive relationships with others and contribute to the community.
- 1.3 This strategy sets out the school's vision in relation to employee health and wellbeing. It is supported by an action plan, at appendix 1, which details the steps which the school is taking to maintain and promote the health and wellbeing of all staff.

2. Aims and objectives

- 2.1 Through this strategy the school aims to improve employee health and wellbeing and as a result:
 - Develop a more motivated workforce who are able to deliver a better education for pupils of the school
 - Attract and retain high quality staff who make a positive contribution to the performance of the school
 - Improve the school's effectiveness by actively reducing staff absenteeism and turnover

- Encourage staff to achieve a work-life balance suited to their personal circumstances
- Create an environment where staff feel able to raise concerns regarding their health and wellbeing and to provide them with effective support where possible

2.2 This will be achieved through:

- Development of a culture which is supportive where employees feel that their contribution is valued
- The implementation of people management processes which are based on the principles of trust, equality and fairness, (and we signal out commitment by signing up to the Education Staff Wellbeing Charter)
- Effective leadership which empowers employees and teams to work effectively
- A holistic approach to wellbeing including consideration of the impact which decisions and changes have on employees
- 2.3 The school recognises that a number of inter-related factors impact on employee health and wellbeing. The relative importance of these will depend on the circumstances of individual employees and may change throughout their lives and careers.

3. Responsibilities

- 3.1 The Governing Body are responsible for approving this strategy and ensuring that appropriate policies and arrangements are adopted to support the health and wellbeing of all staff.
- 3.2 School leaders are responsible for the implementation of this strategy and developing the school's action plan, in conjunction with employees. They are pivotal in ensuring a positive school culture and developing a supportive work environment which supports employees to achieve a reasonable work-life balance.
- 3.3 Employee involvement is key to the success of this health and wellbeing strategy and staff are encouraged to contribute to, and participate in, wellbeing initiatives, plans and targets, and to ask for help and support when they require it.

4. Review

4.1 The impact of this strategy will be monitored on an annual basis and a report made to the governing body.

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Mental Health and Wellbeing Action Plan 2021-2022

ACTIONS	WHO WILL LEAD?	SUCCESS CRITERIA	MONITORING & EVALUATION	TIMEFRAME	ADDITIONAL INFORMATION / LINKS TO MENTAL HEALTH AWARD AND SSDP
To use pupil questionnaire and pupil voice to ascertain a baseline for current levels of pupil understanding of MH and WB. Information to be used to prioritise areas for curriculum planning and development. This will enable us to plan effectively for prevention and change – e.g. identify those pupils who may need targeted support. To track / screen classes to ascertain how many potential pupils need support and get an indication of how much support they might need. Plan strategic days to highlight MH (e.g. Children's Mental Health Day).	RC / TW / DA	Improved outcomes evident on later questionnaire to be completed Autumn 2022. Improved MHWB will impact on pupil outcomes by minimising barriers to learning and risk factors such as mental health. Pupils with identified SEMH difficulties will make expected progress from their own baselines. Improved attendance and engagement of pupils directly supported with MHWB. Reduced number of incidents on the school Child Protection Online Management System (CPOMS), as these can impact negatively on the wellbeing of pupils.	Analysis of pupil questionnaires – analyse data to ascertain priorities. Analysis of pupil data – attainment and progress on INSIGHT assessment tracker.	First Questionnaire to be given January 2022 Second questionnaire to be given Summer 2022	Organisation and structure and culture – pupils Support for pupils Strategic School Development Plan – Learning to Live – Priority 1

To provide information to parents regarding the MHWB agenda, where they can seek support, guidance and advice if they have concerns about their children:	RC / TW / DA	Improved parent partnerships and understanding of how to promote good MHWB with their children will impact on pupil outcomes.	Website to be monitored and reviewed on half termly basis.	Information shared on website – Spring 2022 Parent w /	Working with parents and carers Working with external services
Parent questionnaire around children's MHWB to be given to parents. – feedback analysed		Pupils with identified SEMH difficulties will make expected progress from their own baselines	Impact of parent workshops/drop in sessions to be	shops – summer 2022	Strategic School Development Plan – Learning to Live – Priority 1
To develop MHWB section on website to include advice and guidance for families – signposting to support both in school and externally			measured – e.g. record of attendance,		THOMY
To signpost and /or provide workshop/training session and informal 'drop in' sessions/coffee			parental surveys – analysis of feedback. Pupil		
mornings for parents who may be concerned about MHWB	50/70		progress meetings and SEND reviews.	5 : 2022	
To introduce 'Mental Health Champions' across the school to foster positive wellbeing.	RC / TW / DA	A selection of children from Y1-Y6 are trained mental health champions.	monitor impact of training on pupils – do they	Spring 2022	Leadership and Strategy Organisation and
In order to do this, we will provide 'Mental Health Champions Training for a group of children across school. Children'. The aim is that our pupils can		Children taught relevant skills for their wellbeing.	show a better understanding of how to take		structure and culture – pupils
better learn how to take care of themselves with their mental health condition. The idea behind the		For our children to be introduced to what mental health is in a way that they	care of their own (and		Support for pupils Working with
programme is to give children roles in the school, extra jobs and responsibilities and help them to put those skills into practice.		can understand it clearly. Mental health champions to be trained	others) mental health?		external services https://www.oneg
Our mental health champions will be taught		so that can observe and recognise when someone is struggling/feeling sad	Do pupils know how to use		oal.co.uk/ Strategic School
different skills and qualities: the ability to observe and recognise when someone is struggling and how		etc	different skills and qualities to		Development Plan

to tell if that person is feeling sad or alone/the ability to connect: how can children connect with someone else? How they can best communicate with the other children with their body language? How can they have positive conversations with other children? / to teach children how to remain calm, to		The One Goal Wellbeing Method is a unique framework for improving children's mental health and wellbeing. Based on more than 10 years of research and development, they have identified that many children and the	promote better mental health? How successfully has this training impacted on		– Learning to Live – Priority 1
deal with stress and their emotions/To teach children how to show/feel empathy.		schools supporting them can have difficulties across 7 key areas outlined below:	other pupils across the school?		
This project will also provide school wide access to a Mental Health and Wellbeing Curriculum which features over 40 mini-course lessons around: Building resilience Developing self-esteem Overcoming anxiety		Improving behaviour Managing emotions Raising aspirations Boosting self-esteem Developing team spirit Increasing active health Building resilience			
To review current planning for PSHE in line with MHWB agenda – to incorporate explicit teaching of MHWB into the PSHE curriculum (Corum Life Education) To promote mindfulness within the classroom so that our pupils are: Aware of their thoughts and feelings as they arise Are able to focus their mind on what they choose to focus it on both outside of themselves and within themselves.	RC / TW / DA	Corum Life Education scheme to be fully implemented across the whole school — Updates January 4 th 2022. All staff to be using resources and techniques to promote better mental health: Circle time Calm Me techniques Mindful moments Calmer pupils — they know how to regulate their emotions. Reduced number of incidents on CPOMS.	Staff feedback during staff meetings – what impact have you noticed since you have introduced mindful moments into your lessons? Fewer cases of anxiety referred to KW.	Spring 2022	Leadership and Strategy Organisation and structure and culture – pupils Support for pupils Strategic School Development Plan – Learning to Live – Priority 1
To fully utilise and embed the newly appointed role of pastoral and welfare assistant. They will provide:	RC / TW / DA	Reduced anxiety and aggression will support improved attainment >80% of	Pupil Voice / Staff feedback Informal Drop ins	Sept 2021	Leadership and Strategy

regular opportunities for selected pupils to learn self-help strategies to reduce anxiety aggression and improve well-being for example breathing exercises, relaxation, yoga. They will use resources such as? The anxiety Gremlin Socially Speaking Lego Therapy We will use high quality children's books to teach aspects of mental health – e.g. Ruby's Worry, Black Dog, The Way I Feel etc. We will continue to focus on outdoor learning. We will continue to engage pupils in the Forest School curriculum and all pupils will participate in		pupils making expected or exceeding expected attainment and progress. Increased attendance and engagement for pupils with SEMH Reduced number of incidents on CPOMS.			Organisation and structure and culture – pupils Support for pupils Strategic School Development Plan – Learning to Live – Priority 1
the Daily activity challenge.		CL - CC VA/ - III '			
		Staff Wellbeing			
To complete the NYCC health and wellbeing toolkit Sign up to the Education Staff Wellbeing Charter To establish the 'Mental Health Ambassador role within school.	RC / TW / DA	To ensure that is embedded into all aspects of school life and its importance recognised by all members of the staff team.	TW / RC / DA to monitor the impact of the health and well- being strategy implementation.	Spring 2022	Support for staff Strategic School Development Plan – Learning to Live – Priority 1
To improve the mental health and wellbeing of all staff across the school. To have an inset day to take views of staff and to finalise action plan	RC/TW /DA	Happy and healthy staff! SLT have listened to, and responded to, staff feedback	Head - AH- members of staff to feedback both formally and informally -	Spring 2022	Support for staff Strategic School Development Plan – Learning to Live – Priority 1

Survey/consult staff for ideas and initiatives. Staff to complete questionnaire on MHWB and workload. Plan strategic days across academic year to ensure focus is on MHWB and ensure they are not squeezed out by other 'priorities'			anonymous surveys to check impact.		
Workload To rationalise the demands of teaching and learning so that workload is manageable and healthy work/life balance is maintained. Form a Working Party of staff representatives from each phase to include teachers, TAs and support staff to identify 'pinch points' and to offer feedback on issues related to workload	RC/TW /DA	Head and AH to meet with working party to arrive at workable approach. Happy and healthy staff!	Head - AH - members of staff to feedback both formally and informallyanony mous surveys to check impact.	Spring 2022 – Ongoing	Support for staff Strategic School Development Plan – Learning to Live – Priority 1
Focus on Physical Experiences so that good mental health and wellbeing will follow by intent/implication. Provide Flu jab to all staff who want it - Provide exercise experiences or SD opportunities to converse with other adults during the working day. Provide 'Wellbeing' days for staff (Inset day) Provide opportunities for rest and relaxation and for staff to socialise – e.g. 'feel good' experiences such as 'random act of kindness' initiatives, bacon sandwich/coffee morning, staff quizzes, bonfire social (Covid-19 permitting!)	RC/TW /DA	Feedback from staff – Wellbeing questionnaires. Happy and healthy staff.	Head - AH - members of staff to feedback both formally and informally - anonymous surveys to check impact.	Spring 2022 – Ongoing	Support for staff Strategic School Development Plan – Learning to Live – Priority 1