

Mentally Healthy School Award

School:	Date:	
Has your school signed up to the Mental Health Charter: Does your school have a Healthy Schools London award:		□ No □ No

1. Leadership, Management and Managing Change

Does your school provide the leadership to create a positive environment that promotes emotional health and wellbeing through:	Yes	To some extent	No
A clear mission statement which includes a commitment to emotional wellbeing			
An ethos that promotes a happy, secure and stimulating environment in which all members are valued and health and wellbeing are promoted			
Governors that value the emotional and physical health and well-being of the whole school community			
Leadership where the head teacher and senior management team include work to promote emotional wellbeing in all areas of school life			
The active support for and the promotion of staff emotional wellbeing.			
Please provide a description/examples:			



Who are the lead members of staff / governors responsible for aspects of emotional health and wellbeing at school?	
Staff:	Name
PSHE Education	
Emotional wellbeing / Mental Health lead	
SENCO	
Pastoral lead	
Learning mentors	
Other:	
Governor:	

2. Policy Development

Are the following policies in place and up to date?	Current date	Action
Whole school emotional wellbeing policy		
Anti Bullying		
Behaviour and Rewards		
Inclusion or equivalent		
Child Protection		
Dealing with emotional distress /		
bereavement?		
Staff wellbeing policy		



3. School ethos, Culture and Environment

How does your school environment promote emotional	Yes	To some extent	No
health and wellbeing?			
Do you provide a safe and inclusive learning environment			
including?			
Supportive classrooms with positive rewards systems			
Safe spaces/Quiet areas			
Outdoor learning			
LGBT support / social groups			
Peer mediators / Buddies			
 Ensuring prejudice of any kind is challenged (How do you know?) 			
 Teaching children and young people to value and respect the 			
views of others. (How do you know?)			
Use of restorative approaches			
Well trained lunchtime supervisors			
Other:			
Are structures in place for young people to share concerns			
through?			
Youth Health Champions			
Peer mentors/Listeners /Buddies			
Learning mentors			
Pastoral system			
Do young people know how to access support?			
(How do you know?)			
Do young people feel that the toilets are safe? (How do you know?)			
Is there access to non gender specific toilets?			



Does the school enable all pupils to develop responsibility, build confidence, reslience and self esteem through?	
 Activities to engage and work with vulnerable pupils in small groups 	
Nurture groups	
The promotion of growth mindset approaches	
Assemblies, performances, productions	
Residential trips and visits	
Representing the school at events	
Celebration assemblies	
Attendance awards	
 Notes / texts home to parents / carers for positive behaviour and / or achievement in school 	
Regular newsletters / press releases highlight achievements	
and celebrations	
Displays, including trophies and awards	
Please provide examples:	



4. Learning and teaching, curriculum planning and resourcing

Criteria	Yes	To some extent	No
Does the school have a planned programme for teaching about mental health and emotional wellbeing, written down and timetabled, or clearly identified in a cross curricular approach?			
Does your programme teach young people: • Self awareness			
 Managing feelings Empathy for others Social skills To have aspirations and self motivation? 			
Do young people learn that everyone has mental health?			
Is the PSHE Association guidance and resources to teach about Mental Health and Emotional Health and Wellbeing used? (All phases). If not, what resources do you use?			
Is an understanding of the main mental health needs developed? For example: • Anxiety (e.g. https://www.childline.org.uk/info-advice/your-feelings/anxiety-stress-panic/coping-with-stress/ • Low mood • Depression • Self Harm			
Eating disorders			



Do young people learn about the following issues and	
incidents that effect emotional health?	
Bereavement / loss (e.g. http://www.winstonswish.org.uk/)	
Friendship issues / unhealthy relationships	
Self confidence	
Substance use	
Child sexual exploitation	
Radicalisation	
Debt	
Social media	
Smart phone overuse	
Gender identity	
Is a comprehensive Anti Bullying policy in place that is communicated across the whole school community?	
Are young people fully aware of what bullying is and what to do if it occurs?	
Do parents understand the school's policy on bullying?	
Are all forms of discrimination included in PSHE schemes of work, including homophobic bullying?	
Are National Anti-Bullying campaigns supported? www.antibullyingweek.co.uk www.anti-bullyingalliance.org.uk/alltogether	
Do young people learn coping strategies and methods of	
self help such as:	
Accessing Kooth.com	
Relaxation techniques	



Five Ways to Wellbeing http://www.nhs.uk/Conditions/stress-anxiety-	
depression/Pages/improve-mental-wellbeing.aspx	
Mindfulness	
Engagement in physical activity	
Engagement in creative activities, such as art or music	
Support networks	
Mental Health First Aid	
Building resilience	
Other?	
Does the school ensure young people get their full entitlement of	
physical education throughout all year groups?	
Does the school ensure pupils get their full entitlement of	
musical, creative and artistic activities in all year groups?	
Does the school offer additional opportunities for physical and	
creative activity to young people who find this a helpful way to	
deal with mental health and emotional wellbeing difficulties?	
Does your school promote healthy eating messages and teach	
about the links between 'food and mood'	
http://www.mind.org.uk/media/2106853/foodandmood_web.pdf	

5. Pupil Voice

How do you ensure all pupils have the opportunity to express their view and influence decisions?	Yes	To some extent	No
Are there structures in place for young people to share opinions for example through?			
An active and effective School Council which reflects the views of all year groups			
Regular pupils surveys / questionnairesConsultation events			



Pupil focus groups	
Are young people / School Council consulted on policies as	
appropriate e.g. the Behaviour or Rewards policy?	
Are young people informed about policies in assemblies / tutor	
groups	
Are all staff informed about policies related to behaviour and	
rewards, to ensure a consistent approach?	
Please provide an example of where pupil views have	
changed practice or provision within the school.	

6. Staff Development, Health and Wellbeing

What continuing professional development (CPD) opportunities, relevant to emotional health and wellbeing, have your staff accessed?	Yes / No	Date & Details
Have staff had training on:		
Youth Mental Health First Aid		
General Mental health awareness		
Supporting young people with specific mental health		
difficulties e.g. self harm, low mood, anxiety		
Coping strategies		
Attachment		
Bereavement		
Anti Bullying		
PSHE (Personal, social, health and economic education)		
Behaviour management training		
Restorative approaches		
Solihull approach		



What continuing professional development (CPD) opportunities, relevant to emotional health and wellbeing, have your staff accessed?	Yes / No	Date & Details
Child sexual exploitation		
Making lunchtimes happier		
Other:		

How does your school support the emotional health of staff?	Details
For example, does your school?	
Have a staff health and wellbeing policy	
 Provide opportunity for staff to share concerns in a supportive environment 	
Have supervision system for staff	
Offer / sign post stress management training	
Promote opportunities for staff to be involved in physical	
activity https://walthamforest.gov.uk/service-categories/sports-clubs-and-leisure-centres	
Offer / signpost mindfulness training	
Promote 'Five ways to mntal wellbeing'	
http://www.nhs.uk/Conditions/stress-anxiety-depression/Pages/improve- mental-wellbeing.aspx	
Display contact details for occupational health	
Publicise the Education Support Partnership	
https://www.educationsupportpartnership.org.uk/	
Other:	



7. Provision of support services for children and young people

Are staff aware of organisations who can offer guidance and	Yes	To some extent	No
support?			
or example:			
• CAMHS			
Education Psychology			
Primary Mental Health Workers			
School Nurses			
Childline – <u>www.childline.org.uk</u>			
Mentally Healthy Schools https://www.mentallyhealthyschools.org.uk/			
Young minds — www.youngminds.org.uk			
MindEd — <u>www.minded.org.uk</u>			
NSPCC – <u>www.nspcc.org.uk</u>			
Charlie Waller Memorial Trust - <u>www.cwmt.org.uk</u>			
Other:			
Please provide examples of arrangements you have in place to			
work with, refer and/or signpost to external agencies for advice			
and support for vulnerable pupils.			



8. Partnerships with parents and carers, the local community and external agencies

Do you provide information for parents and carers related to	Yes	To some extent	No
mental health and emotional wellbeing?			
 Information is provided for parents and carers on the website 			
Links to useful websites are promoted			
Parents briefings held			
Parents invited to attend / signposted to training			
Other:			
Please provide details:			
Does the school engage with the local community and a range of external agencies to support pupils, parents/carers and staff's mental wellbeing?			
Please provide details:			
Do you measure the impact of interventions? No / Yes / How?			



9. Action plan

Objectives	Key Actions	Timescales