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Dear Parent / Carer

**Community Learning Calendar**

I am delighted to publicise two events that are available for parents, carers and the local community in the coming weeks. These events are available for anyone in the community with an interest in supporting young people and sign-up should be through the eventbrite links provided:-

**Mental Health – What to look out for**

**Wednesday, 15 November 2017, 6.30 pm – 7.30 pm at Inverurie Academy**

[**https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/mental-health-what-to-look-out-for-tickets-35387303377**](https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/mental-health-what-to-look-out-for-tickets-35387303377)

With the numbers of young people experiencing mental health issues rising all the time, Inverurie Academy would like to open up a conversation about the issues surrounding this area. The evening will be an opportunity to hear from Julie Robertson from Aberdeen Foyer about her work with teenagers and a more general discussion about the types of mental illness that are seen in our schools. Both parents/carers and students themselves are welcome to come along to this free event.

**Early Intervention – Drugs & Alcohol Seminar (Aberdeenshire Alcohol & Drugs Partnership)**

**Thursday, 23 November 2017, 6.30 pm – 8.00 pm at Inverurie Academy**

[**https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/substance-misuse-awareness-tickets-39525221000**](https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/substance-misuse-awareness-tickets-39525221000)

With the national context of concern around substance misuse, Inverurie Academy are delighted that representatives from Aberdeenshire Alcohol and Drugs Partnership have agreed to join us in helping parents, carers and members of the local community consider how we respond to questions like: How do we equip parents to have early, knowledgeable conversations with young people around Drugs and Alcohol; What do you do if young people have become involved in Drugs and Alcohol?; How do we as a community recognise the signs in young people?; What confidential services are available for families dealing with these concerns?

Please look out for other events throughout the session!

Yours faithfully



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