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blue smile

Dear Parent/Carer,

Blue Smile

You may have seen a recent feature in The Cambridge Evening News about Blue Smile which is an organisation providing support to children and young people; I am very pleased to be able to inform you that Blue Smile will be working in Milton each Wednesday.

Through the charity, individual children are offered support in a one-to-one therapeutic arts programme. This means that once a week for around 50 minutes a child will be able to see a person whose training is in therapy and counselling.

The purpose of these sessions is to give a child a special time when he/she can talk or play and can think about any feelings or worries which may be causing difficulties. Sometimes children's learning is hampered by strong emotions, impulsive behaviours or negative thinking. The sessions can help them make sense of these, so they feel happier, more confident and are better able to work in lessons. The aim is to support children emotionally and to help them achieve their true potential.

Parents are fully involved in any referral and regular meetings are held with the key worker. The content of sessions is not discussed with the school, unless the child is at risk for any reason. All Blue Smile staff are police checked by CRB. The name of the counsellor who will be working at Milton is Mrs. Val. Golightly.

Due to changes in funding the support that we have received from Cog Wheel will cease at the end of this term.

Yours sincerely

S J Dorrington

Head Teacher