

Place2Talk Parental Consent

Dear Parents/Carers,

I am writing to let you know about Kensington Aldridge Academy's work with Place2Be, a national charity supporting schools to improve the confidence and wellbeing of children and young people.

Place2Be provides emotional and therapeutic support to children and young people, families and staff in more than 550 schools nationwide. It gives children and young people a space to express themselves through talking and creative work, and to think about any worries they might have. Place2Be also provides support for parents and staff too. For more information about Place2Be and its work please see the Place2Be website (www.place2be.org.uk) or the Place2Be staff members in the school – 020 7313 5800 extension 077.

Place2Talk

One of the most popular aspects of this service is called 'Place2Talk'. It's open to all children and young people at Kensington Aldridge Academy and they can make an appointment to spend 15-20 minutes with a trained counsellor, either by themselves or with a friend. On average, about a third of children and young people in Place2Be schools take advantage of this service every year. Children and young people often talk about friendships or any worries they may have.

Place2Be will record your child's name, date of birth, year group, gender, ethnicity, the broad topic of discussion and any actions taken as a result of the session. This information is stored securely. It is used in key coded form to evaluate Place2Be's service and improve our work. Please see the attached sheet for more information on this.

Parental Agreement for Accessing Place2Talk

Unless we hear otherwise from you, the school and Place2Be will assume that your child has parent/carer permission to come to Place2Talk, should they wish to access this service this academic year.

If you would like to find out more, or would prefer that your child does **not** use this service, please contact **Susie Hack, Place2Be School Project Manager/Therapist** on place2be@kaa.org.uk who will be very happy to answer any questions.

Yours sincerely,



Anna Jordan
Principal