

## A Message from the School Nursing Service

### HEALTH AND WELL BEING DROP-IN AT KINGSTONE SCHOOL

We are always seeking to promote students health and wellbeing and to improve the information, advice and guidance that we give to our young people in this area.

There are many services in Barnsley that support young people with specific health and wellbeing issues. However, this often means going to different locations at different times which are obstacles that make it difficult for young people to access the relevant services. In addition, within Barnsley, some well used services have moved location which has made them more difficult to access.

Many secondary schools in the UK and in Barnsley have set up Health and Wellbeing services for their students. Much of this has stemmed from Ofsted recommendations for students to be able to access confidential advice services. Locating services in settings where young people go is central to the thinking of The Strategy for Young People's Health and the National Children's Plan which recognises that "by locating services under one roof in the places that people visit frequently, they are more likely to find the help they need".

We now have potential to offer such a service at Kingstone School in the form of an after school drop-in where health professionals could offer confidential advice and treatment for students regarding their health and wellbeing. The service would be run by the School Nursing Service and would aim to provide confidential services for young people for them to get the help and support they need as soon as possible in an environment they feel comfortable in.

All the other services will still be available at venues around Barnsley ensuring young people have a choice about where they access support.

We would like to hear your views on this proposed service and you may email these to [kingstone@barnsley.org](mailto:kingstone@barnsley.org) or send a note in to Pupil Point if you do not have an email address.

Thank you for your support.