

Friday 09th June 2017

Dear Parents/Carers,

RE: Year 6 Dementia Friends Session

Dementia is caused by a number of diseases that affect the brain. The most common is Alzheimer's but diseases also include vascular dementia, dementia with Lewy Bodies and Pick's disease.

Different types of dementia affect the brain at different rates and in different ways, but other things like someone's personal circumstances, the people around them and the environment in which they live, will affect their experience of dementia. Dementia progresses in a way that is unique to each individual.

It is true that more people over 65 have dementia but it is not exclusively an older person's disease; younger people get dementia too.

With this in mind Miss Shelford will be carrying out a Dementia Friends session on Friday 16th June with year 6 pupils. The purpose of this session is to raise awareness, ensure the pupils are informed and have a more positive attitude towards dementia.

If you would like further information regarding these sessions please either check the Dementia Friends website <https://www.dementiafriends.org.uk/> or call Miss Shelford on 0208 573 7829.

Yours sincerely,



Miss E Shelford