



8th February 2024

Dear Parents/Carers,

I am writing to inform you that Vyners School will be working 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 450 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, please visit their website [\[here\]](#).

Place2Talk

One of the most popular aspects of this service is called 'Place2Talk'. It's open to all children and young people and they can make an appointment during their break or lunch to spend 15 minutes with a trained counsellor, either by themselves or with a friend. On average, about a third of children and young people who access the Place2Be services, take advantage of Place2Talk 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 visit the Place2Be website [\[here\]](#) for more information on this.

Parental Agreement for Accessing Place2Talk

Place2Talk is operated using **opt out** parental consent. Unless we hear otherwise from you, the school and Place2Be will assume that your child has parent/carers' permission to come to Place2Talk.

If you would prefer that your child does not use this service or would like to find out more information, please contact Ms Ashe via office@vynersschool.org.uk who will be very happy to answer any questions.

Yours sincerely,

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