



Understanding and supporting children's social and emotional development

A talk by Dr David Moore

Wednesday 21 September at 7.00pm

Dyne House Auditorium

Pre-talk refreshments in Dyne House Foyer at 6.45 pm

The HSPA invites parents of children in Years 7 to 9 to this talk by Dr David Moore on children's social development, with a particular focus on changing patterns as children enter Senior School: what parents can do at home to support their children through changes of friendship groups; helping to recognise potential problems such as depression, isolation or bullying as friendships change and develop.

Dr David Moore CBE is an educational consultant and former HMI for 25 years with specific responsibility for issues around children and young peoples' behaviour, attendance and social and emotional development. He is Professional Advisor to the Steer Practitioner Committee on Behaviour in Schools and specialist advisor to the Parliamentary Education Select Committee.

His talk will include information and advice on:

- The dynamic involved when groups of friends change in Y7-9
- The power of the popular child in a group
- Ostracised children
- The change from being the oldest in their Junior School to being the youngest in their Senior School.
- Dealing with differences: social responsibilities.

Parents will gain an insight into children's emotional and psychological development through the content of this talk to help aid discussion at home with children about friendship problems.

The talk will end by 9.15pm after questions and discussion.

**To book a place for this talk, please email your reply stating:
your son/daughter's name and year group to:**

talks@highgateschool.org.uk