

## Pastoral Care

Pastoral Care within Clifton Hall School provides all students with the supportive structure that they require, through our accessible approach. Every child is treated with support and encouragement to support them through the challenges that “growing –up” brings.

In the Junior School there is a very close link between the class teacher and the Pastoral Care Co-ordinator to ensure that each situation is dealt with, with appropriate sensitivity and guidance. Knowing the needs of each individual ensures that this is an effective approach.

In the Senior School the Pastoral Care of our students begins in each classroom. It is inevitable that individuals will foster meaningful relationships with a variety of staff members and feel more comfortable to share their feelings with some more than others. Our unique structure enables this to happen. From the playground to the classroom, from the sports field to the canteen, each child is known by name and therefore personally known by many staff members. It becomes apparent when there is an issue that needs addressing.

The first level of our Pastoral Care team begins in the classroom with individual class teachers, who in many cases can provide appropriate advice and support when required. The next stage would involve the Form teacher who can provide a deeper level of support through more contact with the pupil. The Pastoral Care co-ordinator provides support to all pupils and staff as required, and creates links of communication between the school and home and any external agencies, as required.

The effectiveness of these relationships ensures that all pupils have the appropriate level of support to guide them through often challenging situations to make appropriate decisions.

This whole school, inclusive approach ensures that each individual is provided with the opportunity to reach their full potential, providing them with every aspect of support that they require.