



Dear parent,

### **Re. Year 12 and 13 Neil Hussey Heart Charity Heart Screenings**

The Neil Hussey Heart Charity are once again offering heart screenings to our Sixth Form students. This is an initiative they are running across all Jersey secondary schools to students who are 16 years and older. These screenings will take place during the school day on Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> November and Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> December.

We will have approximately 24 spaces available across those two dates. The number of spaces available is dictated to us by the availability of medical staff and ECG equipment. The charity have requested that these places should only be taken by students who are not already aware of an existing heart condition and they have also suggested that priority should go to those who are physically active. We will be offering places based on a random selection of those who have applied for a place, and will not select those who have already received a free heart screening through this initiative, earlier this year.

There are three potential outcomes from the ECG. These are;

- ECG within normal limits.
- ECG with an abnormality identified. Many of these abnormalities are not relevant once looked into in depth. However advice will be given, as explained in an information leaflet provided, to visit the GP for peace of mind
- ECG with referral to GP due to an abnormality found. The GP will reassess and refer the patient to the relevant Consultant/department.

If your son is interested in receiving one of these free heart screenings, please indicate this by completing an electronic form using the link provided below by Friday 20<sup>th</sup> October. Please be aware that screenings will take place during lesson times and lunchtime. Where possible, we will avoid disruption to lessons but cannot guarantee that this will be the case. Each screening will take approximately 15 minutes to complete.

[Neil Hussey Heart Charity ECG indication of interest](#)

Once we have allocated spaces to students, we will forward them a copy of the consent form and pre-screening questionnaire, which must be completed and returned prior to the date of the ECG. We will also provide them with a time and location for their appointment. This will all be sent to their school e-mail address.

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Should you have any queries or concerns relating to this, or any other matter, please do not hesitate in contacting me either via e-mail ([a.falle@vcj.sch.je](mailto:a.falle@vcj.sch.je)) or using my direct number (01534 638257).

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'A. Falle', written in a cursive style.

Alan Falle

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