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Dear Parents, Guardians, Carers

Year 10 Holocaust Survivor Visit

The year 10 *Is it Fair?* module is taught during the Spring term during their Your Life lessons. This unit addresses issues of justice and equality in history and society today and focuses on three religions.

On Monday 25th January 2010 a member from the Holocaust Memorial Trust, Harry Fox, will be delivering an assembly to all year 10 students on the Holocaust. Harry Fox, a Jewish survivor, will deliver the assembly outlining his experiences of the ghettos, deportation, life in the camps, liberation, resistance and rescuers and life after the Holocaust.

Holocaust Memorial Day, on Wednesday 27th January 2010, is the 65th anniversary of the liberation of Auschwitz-Birkenau. To mark this poignant occasion our school is holding a Holocaust focus assembly.

There is a statutory obligation for schools to provide Religious Education but parents may withdraw their children from any lesson that is not part of the National Curriculum under the Education Act 1996 (section 404/405). Such a request needs to be made in writing to the Headteacher. Parents should provide appropriate materials for their child to study during the time that they are excused from this activity.

Yours faithfully

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