



Dear Parent/Carer

Fir Vale Academy are working with Upstream, an exciting new project delivered in schools in collaboration with Roundabout, a local youth housing charity.

Upstream identifies young people who may require some extra support to ensure they have everything they need to be successful in life, whether this is within school, at home, with their relationships or with their general wellbeing.

This process starts with students completing a survey in class during the week commencing 29th September 2025. It is designed to assess and understand any difficulties they may be facing. This survey will indicate whether students would benefit from some support, at which point they will be offered the opportunity to take part in one-to-one mentoring, wellbeing and support sessions. They will be allocated a worker who will help them understand and process any challenges they are facing, setting personal goals to achieve their aspirations. Their worker will also be able to signpost them to other services and resources to give them the tools they need to develop their confidence and skills. The Upstream team will also be able to offer wider support to families, which they will be able to discuss further with you if appropriate.

If your child is identified and indicates they wish to take part in the project, we will get in touch to discuss this further with you.

In order to monitor progress and ensure that the highest level of support is provided, personal data will be held by the Upstream team at Roundabout, where relevant, in line with GDPR and data protection guidelines.

If you do not want your child to take part in this survey, please send an email within the next 10 days to jspurr@firvale.com.

Kind regards,

Miss J Spurr

Vice Principal

Fir Vale Academy

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