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Dear Parents

I am sure you are aware that there has been a considerable amount of publicity recently, regarding gender stereotyping. John Lewis have scrapped boys and girls labelling on clothing; the RAF became the first military service to open all roles to both genders; the BBC are under attack for their pay culture and Dr Javid Abdelmoneim produced a 2-part documentary 'No More Boys and Girls: Can Kids Go Gender Free?' which aired during the summer of 2017 on BBC2.

As part of our PSHE (Personal, Social, Health and Economic) Curriculum, I will be leading a short project with the children in Y5 and Y6 regarding attitudes to the roles of men and women in work and how this influences the way we think about ourselves. This will be based on the 'Raising Aspirations, Inspiring Futures' teaching resource from the PSHE Association.

Prior to starting work with the children, I will be holding a meeting for parents which will provide information about the content of the project and to answer any questions you may have. The meeting will take place in the school hall on Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> January at 5pm and will consist of a short presentation (approx. 10 minutes) followed by time for your questions. The presentation will be uploaded to the website following the meeting. I do hope you will be able to attend.

Yours sincerely

Mrs Valerie Rose