On Monday 20th and Tuesday 21st February more than forty year 6 and year 7 students took part in two days of peer mediation training; run by Miss Kongras (our level 3 and year 6/7 teacher). Peer mediators learn skills they will need to help young students solve playground problems that occur from time to time.

The mediators learn a structured problem solving process to follow to help children resolve issues amicably. Miss Kongras took the children through a series of activities where they learn and practise skills related to active listening, communication skills, establishing empathic relationships and team work.

By learning and applying these skills, the mediators develop personal qualities that will assist them to be effective in their own lives.

These photos show students role playing playground conflicts with mediators helping to resolve the situation.
In this activity students must keep their feet on the tiles. They have to advance the line one tile and one person at a time. Children already on a tile have to work out how to let the next person advance up the line whilst keeping their feet on the tiles.
In this activity children have to get from one end to the other without using their feet. They have to trust their team mates to keep close together and control the poles so they can make it to the end.