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Dear Parent / Guardian/Carer,

We are writing to inform you of a refreshed initiative that the Walsall Neighbourhood policing Unit are embarking on with Walsall Borough Schools and colleges. The Walsall Schools & Police Panel is an ideal partnership to prevent small incidents from escalating into more serious crimes and working together to enhance the wellbeing of your child.

Your child's school is a part of this schools panel. A representative from your child's school will meet with other school leaders and representatives from the West Midlands police to discuss how best to work together on things which present themselves as barriers to a safer environment for your child and ways to prevent crime.

The key aims of the Walsall schools panel are-

- Reducing crime and anti-social behaviour
- Intervention and prevention to tackle issues of safeguarding
- Sharing concerns and issues to improve your child's school experience

As a part of regular day to day working with schools to reduce harm and protect children, the West Midlands police will share information with schools about a child on an individual basis to prevent or detect crime, protect children and others from harm and to ensure the safeguarding of children.

Your child's school will use the information to protect your child, prevent harm and manage behaviours. The aim of the information sharing is to enable schools to help their own students and families to deal with and overcome problems which they are experiencing and ensure a safer and more settled environment for all students.

We see this as very much a positive initiative to make the area in which we all live and work a safer and more harmonious community. The schools and Police relationship is showing itself to be very successful and beneficial to school children and their schools across the West Midlands.

Should you have any queries, please contact your child's Head of Year in the first instance.

Yours Sincerely



Carl Salt
Principal