



Friday 15<sup>th</sup> May 2026

Dear Parents/Carers,

**RE: Suspension of After-School Activities**

I am writing to update you on a matter of serious concern regarding the safety of our students in the local area.

As you may be aware, we have been working closely with the police following several recent incidents of anti-social and criminal behaviour near the school which are targeting school-aged children including our students. These include reports from students of threats, intimidation, and robberies, one of which occurred only yesterday and was witnessed by a member of staff. We have also been made aware of further incidents affecting our pupils that had not previously been reported to us.

While we continue to liaise with the police and await further guidance and action, the safety of our students remains our absolute priority.

For this reason, all detentions have been cancelled. We have also taken the decision that for today, after-school, activities, unfortunately, including interventions, clubs, and enrichment sessions, are suspended with immediate effect. This measure will remain in place until we receive confirmation from the police that appropriate safety measures and increased presence have been implemented.

We would also ask parents and carers to take additional precautions where possible, such as accompanying their child to and from school, or arranging for them to be dropped off and collected. We recognise that this may not be feasible for all families, and we will continue to ensure that staff are visible and on duty at the end of the school day, in line with our normal dismissal routines, to support students in leaving the site safely.

We understand the inconvenience this may cause, particularly during the GCSE examination period, but we must take every precaution to ensure that all students, staff, and families feel safe travelling to and from school.

We will update you as soon as we receive further information from the police and can safely reinstate after-school provision.

Thank you for your understanding and continued support during this challenging time.

Yours sincerely,

**Mrs M Manderson,**  
Headteacher

