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**28<sup>th</sup> January 2020**

Dear Parents/Carers

**Serious Incident – morning of 28 January 2020**

As you may be aware, a serious incident took place this morning involving a student on her way to the academy and a member of the general public on Foxhills Road.

Although I am unable to divulge the full details, I can confirm that a female student was assaulted by an unknown male. Understandably the student was extremely shaken and was taken to hospital as a precautionary measure. I am pleased to confirm that she has now been discharged.

In light of this disturbing event, I have spoken to all students this afternoon, asking them to be vigilant when traveling to and from the academy, and where possible, to travel in pairs or groups. We have spoken to the police and are reassured that there will be a police presence in the local area over the coming days. The police have also confirmed that they will be issuing their own press release later today.

We will of course continue to ensure the safety of our students whilst in the academy, maintaining our own high level of presence at the academy gates and continue to work with partnership agencies.

An incident such as this causes all of us great concern. Should anyone have any information relating to the incident, I urge them to contact the Police.

As I hope you all know already, everyone here is totally committed to you, your children and the community so please do not hesitate to make contact with the academy if you wish to talk to us.

As always, thank you for your support.

Yours faithfully



**Mr D Smith**  
**Principal**