



CRESTWOOD
COMMUNITY SCHOOL

7th November 2024

Dear Parent/Carer,

Re: Lockdown at Shakespeare Campus, Thursday 7th November 2024

You will be aware that we have a set of safety procedures in school. These procedures include fire drills, evacuation practice and lock down.

Today we have used our lock down procedure as we have had an incident at the Shakespeare Campus which we deemed as **trespassers causing a nuisance on educational premises**. The reason we took the decision to lock down was because it was at a break time and we wanted the incident to be contained, away from the students.

This incident involved two students from another school entering the site without permission. We were supported by the Police in dealing with the situation, who were quick and responsive hence the shortened timescale. Both trespassers were searched by the Police and no evidence was found of anything dangerous or malicious. The trespassers gained no access to any part of the school building. The pair were removed from site by the Police and we are seeking further assistance from our local community Policing Team to stop this occurrence happening again.

We must reiterate that at no point was any child or member of staff in danger.

We endeavoured to communicate with you swiftly during the lockdown and at the end to inform you it was over. Lunch was disrupted for the students and they were given an extra 20 minutes to enjoy their free time. Many students were asking questions and these were answered by Senior Staff. We encouraged teachers to let Period 4 be a more relaxed atmosphere.

If you have any concerns, please contact the SLT Line Manager for your child's year group.

Year 7 - Mr. Whittick

Year 8 - Mrs. Nicholas

Year 9 and 10 - Mr. Vass

Year 11 - Mr. Topazio

Alternatively you could speak to Mrs. Bezant, Parenting Officer.

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Our students and staff responded really well to today's lockdown and were a real credit to the school and you as their parents. I am very aware that situations like this cause anxiety for you. We believe we acted in a way where we put your children's safety of paramount importance.

Thank you for all the lovely messages we have had from you about how the situation was handled.

Yours sincerely

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Steve Topazio
Deputy Headteacher

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