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Dear Parent/Carer

As part of our ongoing health and safety procedures, we will be practising a lockdown scenario with staff and students.

'Lockdown' is when an academy needs to ensure that the building is secured to prevent access. These procedures can be activated for a number of reasons. Partial lockdown involves external doors and windows being closed and students kept in the building. This could be as a result of a chemical leak in the area.

Full lockdown is activated when there is an immediate threat to the wellbeing of students and staff. All external doors, classroom doors and windows are locked. Staff and students will hide with lights switched off.

We appreciate that this can be very traumatic for students, even when it is only a practice. In order to prepare students, there will be an assembly for each year group on the following dates:

Monday 26 th June	Year 12
Wednesday 28 th June	Year 9
Thursday 29 th June	Year 8
Friday 30 th June	Year 7
Tuesday 4 th July	Year 10

Please talk to your child about this and reassure them that it is for their safety and that the likelihood of a real lockdown is very small.

Further reminders will be sent both prior to and on the day of the lockdown practice. The practice will take place on Thursday 6th July at approximately 2.00pm and will last for about 30 minutes. If you live in the vicinity, you may hear the lockdown drill start and end. We will publish the practice date on the website so that other residents are aware of what is happening.

Any parents or visitors who happen to be in the building when lockdown starts, will need to take part as well. I would like to thank you in advance for your support with this important procedure.

Should you have any questions, please contact your child's form tutor in the first instance.

Yours sincerely

Kathryn Evans
Principal