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Headteacher: Mrs Teri-Leigh Jones

Dear Parents and Carers,

Subject: Southend Police supporting local schools

I hope this letter finds you well. I am writing to provide you with information and reassurance regarding a recent visit to our school by Southend Police. We understand that such occurrences can be concerning and want to inform you that the visit was a planned visit where Southend Police observed the randomised searches taking place.

During the visit, the police officers met with key staff members, observed searches, and participated in discussions aimed at fostering collaboration between the school and community policing. It was a supportive and informative session that allowed us to share insights and receive valuable guidance on best practices moving forward.

Our students' conduct was exemplary and the parents of those who interacted with officers under staff supervision have been contacted separately.

Please be assured that this visit was not in response to any specific incident within our school community. Instead, it was a proactive measure to strengthen our safety protocols and to reinforce the importance of a cooperative relationship between the school and local community policing.

We recognise the importance of maintaining open lines of communication with our parents and carers, and we want to assure you that your children's safety remains our highest priority. If you have any specific concerns or questions about the visit or our safety procedures, please do not hesitate to reach out to us. We are more than happy to address any inquiries you may have.

Thank you for your continued support and cooperation in creating a secure and nurturing learning environment for our students. Together, we can ensure that Shoeburyness High School remains a place where every child can thrive academically and feel safe.

Yours sincerely,

Mr J Banks

Deputy Headteacher

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