

Dear Parents,

Further to our notice on Friday I would like to clarify the current situation with you all. On Thursday afternoon whilst our students were practising for their cross country race two youths climbed the fence and intimidated our students. One was reported to have taken hold of a student in C1 with a student in B1 ensuring he was safe.

The police were called and informed us that they would be dealing with the incident. On Friday the police notified us that they would be visiting the address of one of the offenders and would report back to us as to the steps they will take in light of his behaviour.

I have received many emails about the incident and share your very serious concerns about the situation.

It is an expectation that our children will be safe in their school grounds and teachers do their best to ensure this is the case. On Thursday however teachers were situated near the hall and the incident occurred on the corner of the field. It is obvious now that teachers must be strategically placed around the perimeter of the fence line in case of this sort of unwanted intrusion.

I have contacted the police today and am still awaiting a response from them. Once I have this response I will send an updated notice.

Please above all be rest assured your child's safety is of paramount concern to us and whilst in this instance teachers were some distance away it is important to remember that this was an unpredictable and random, although frightening event for our students. It serves as a timely reminder to both teachers and parents how important it is that students know what to do when they are approached by any unknown person.

I will be back in touch when I have any feedback form the police.

Kind regards

Sue Jury