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Dear Parents/Carers of Year 7

Safety and Security Procedures

Our priority at Oldbury Academy is safeguarding our students and make sure they are safe at all times. You are probably aware that all schools are required to undertake "Fire Evacuation Practice" regularly to ensure students know how to get out of the building in the unlikely event of a fire. We complete these once a term and these are well established here at Oldbury Academy.

In addition, most schools now have "Safety and Security Procedures" in place, in the highly unlikely event of an intruder being on site. Oldbury Academy are the same and after consultation with other local schools, Mitie Facilities Management and our Senior Leaders, we too have implemented a "Safety and Security Procedure".

There is no need for alarm as this will form part of our routine safety procedures. To be clear, we are not aware of any threat to our school or our students.

Today Mr Evans and Mr Brittle held an assembly with all Year 7 students to reinforce the policy and plans as to what we expect from staff and students alike, if we should ever need to initiate our "Safety and Security Policy". We will then, as we do with the fire evacuations; complete a practice. This is purely to ensure our continued vigilance in promoting excellent safeguarding practice.

When your child informs you of our "Safety and Security Procedure", please reassure them that it is highly unlikely that we would ever need to use it.

Before and after the practice and in the unlikely event that we should ever initiate "Security mode" we will let all parents know, via our text messaging service.

Please note we are simply reviewing our practices to ensure that everyone is safe whilst at school, and know what to do should an issue arise.

If you require any more information, or would like to discuss this with us, please email admin@oldburyacademy.org.uk and we will get back to you.

Yours faithfully



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