



Dear Parent or Carer,

Over the coming days, you may see media coverage relating to a former supply teacher who has been charged with serious criminal offences involving students at a number of secondary schools in the Greater Manchester area. The individual is currently in custody ahead of trial.

We want to reassure you that **none of the alleged offences took place at Moorside High School**, and the school is **not part of the investigation**.

It is completely understandable that news of this nature may cause concern. As this remains an active police investigation, it is important that speculation or the sharing of unverified information is avoided so that due process can take place.

If you do discuss this matter with your child, we would encourage you to stress the importance of not repeating rumours, making assumptions, or sharing information they cannot be sure is accurate. The police have already made contact with those directly affected. However, anyone who has information that may assist the investigation can contact Greater Manchester Police on **0161 856 1737**, quoting **Operation Pomerie**. Information can also be shared anonymously via **Crimestoppers on 0800 555 111**.

The police have been clear that responsibility for these alleged offences lies solely with the individual concerned. The person was not a member of our staff and was engaged through an external supply agency that carried out the required safeguarding and pre-employment checks. No concerns were raised about conduct while the individual was in school. We have strong systems in place for monitoring the conduct of all staff, including supply teachers, and we work carefully to minimise the use of unfamiliar external personnel wherever possible.

We recognise that this news may be unsettling. If you have any concerns or would like further reassurance, I am happy to discuss these within the bounds of confidentiality. Please contact the MHS general inbox in the first instance, and I will respond as soon as I am able.

Kind Regards



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Principal