



2nd October 2026

Ref: Lockdown Drill

Dear Parent/Carer,

At Moorside High School, the safety and wellbeing of our students and staff remains our highest priority. As part of our commitment to maintaining a safe school environment, we regularly practise emergency procedures so that everyone knows how to respond calmly and appropriately should an incident ever occur.

Students are familiar with our fire drill procedures, and in the same way, we also carry out routine lockdown drills. These drills form an important part of our safeguarding arrangements and are designed to ensure that students and staff understand what to do if it is safer to remain inside the building rather than evacuate.

We would like to inform you that we will be conducting a lockdown drill at some point next week. This is a planned exercise that takes place each term and is not in response to any specific concern or increased risk locally or nationally. The purpose is simply to ensure that our procedures remain effective and that all members of our school community are prepared.

Students will be informed about the purpose of the drill and will be supported throughout by staff to ensure the process remains calm, clear and reassuring. During the drill, students will follow instructions from staff and remain safely inside classrooms or other designated areas until the all-clear is given.

Following the drill, we will communicate with parents and carers to confirm that it has been completed successfully.

Thank you for your continued support in helping us maintain a safe and secure environment for all members of the Moorside community. If you have any questions regarding the drill, please do not hesitate to contact the school.

Kind regards,



Mrs Ryles-Dean
Principal