

9<sup>th</sup> December 2024

Dear Families,

**UPDATE – SCHOOL WILL BE OPEN AS USUAL TOMORROW TUESDAY 10<sup>th</sup> DECEMBER**

Further to the messages that I sent to you this morning, you will be aware that a threatening email was received by many schools in the Lambeth area over the weekend. This email was picked up by school staff early this morning and the decision to close the school today was made at very short notice.

Since then, I have liaised with the local authority and the Metropolitan Police, who have advised that we should open for business as usual tomorrow. The police have informed us that they will be carrying out extra patrols and will have a visible presence around our schools.

While I realise that this information is unsettling, we have been advised by the Police, who are drawing on their extensive experience in dealing with previous incidents of this kind, to remain calm and to follow the guidance provided. The safety of our pupils, families, and staff is our absolute priority, and we will continue to work closely with the relevant authorities.

Please accept my sincere apologies for the inconvenience and disruption caused by the school closure today. I want to assure you that the decision to close our school was not taken lightly, but with the safety and wellbeing of our entire school community and staff in mind.

If you have any concerns or questions, please do not hesitate to contact me or the school office.

Yours sincerely,  
Jayne Mitchell  
Executive Headteacher