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Dear Parent or Guardian

Re: Contaminated Vapes

We recently had an incident on campus which culminated in three young students becoming ill having accepted a vape off another individual. Tests have shown that the vape was contaminated with an illegal substance and this is obviously a major concern for the College

Thankfully the students involved have recovered, and there is no reason to believe that this practice is widespread within our College community. However, we will be undertaking a number of activities with all of our students next term to stress the dangers inherent in sharing materials of this nature, particularly where there can be no certainty of what is contained in such devices.

My purpose in writing is to ask for your support in reinforcing the message that vapes should not be shared under any circumstances, and that this practice can be both dangerous and harmful. It may also be helpful to reiterate the messages currently being promoted through a national campaign on the wider dangers of “spiking”, particularly during this holiday period.

We take matters of this nature very seriously, and will in future suspend any student who uses a vape that is found to be contaminated. Any student who is found to be using or passing on illegal substances will be excluded immediately.

The majority of our students already behave responsibly, and will no doubt continue to do so. However, it is important that we share this message widely and your support in doing this will be much appreciated.

If you would like to discuss this further, please do not hesitate to get in touch. Working together, we can keep our young people safe.

Yours faithfully



Simon Nixon
Principal & Chief Executive

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