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Dear parent/carer,

We would like to take this opportunity to inform you that The Cardinal Wiseman Catholic School will soon be working in partnership with the Metropolitan Police as part of an Ealing wide safer streets initiative to tackle knife crime.

In order to increase the awareness of this campaign one aspect of the initiative involves students being searched in school using hand held wands. Participant classes will be selected at random and the whole process should take approximately ten minutes. In support of this initiative and as part of an on-going programme, students will continue to be engaged in street and knife crime awareness lessons through PSHE.

The officers involved will be from the local Safer Schools Team, including the school's own police officer, PC Diane Reddy. This will be undertaken discreetly by a small team of police officers, under the supervision of senior teachers at the school.

This initiative has been devised in response to an Ealing wide youth survey which identified knife crime as a primary factor in leading young people to feeling 'unsafe' whilst on the streets. The scheme is already taking place in several secondary schools across Ealing Borough and has been well received by schools, children and their families.

If you have any questions please feel free to contact the school and dedicated school officer.

Yours sincerely,

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