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Dear Parents

I am writing to you to advise you of some interesting training that we will be engaging with during the year.

You will be aware that the police train and use a variety of animals to assist them in their work to keep us all safe. Over the next twelve months all of our schools will be working with the police to assist them in training their sniffer dogs. These are dogs that are trained to find specific objects through smell and can be trained to locate people. They need to train their animals to work in busy, sometimes crowded environments where there are a lot of people and where they can develop the necessary skills to be able to perform at the highest level.

All of our schools have agreed to assist the police and as such, throughout the year, we are expecting a series of training events to be held at our schools. Because of the unpredictable nature of police work, these training events can sometimes happen at very short notice and when planned in advance can be cancelled as police respond to need. Therefore we are writing to you now so that you are aware that this training will be taking place at some point and throughout the year. If your child has a particular fear of dogs, it will be helpful if you could advise us of this in advance, so that we can plan any training events accordingly to ensure that we do not inadvertently upset your child.

We see this as a great opportunity for us to work with the police to meet their training needs and for the students in our schools to become more familiar with the work of the police.

Yours faithfully

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