



**Wath Academy**

16 February 2022

Dear Parent / Carer,

### **Lockdown Drill**

This Thursday we will be going through a lockdown drill at the academy with students. As part of our health and safety procedures the academy must have a policy and procedure in place if one of the following incidents should happen:

- A dangerous animal is on the academy site.
- Serious weather conditions which may endanger students if they are outside.
- Attempted or successful access by unauthorised person or persons with intent to harm or damage.
- A terrorist attack.
- Instruction by the police to stay indoors.

\*This list is not exhaustive.

Students will receive a presentation by myself via Microsoft Teams whilst in a classroom. The presentation will explain the purpose of a lockdown and detail what they should do in the event of one. Following the presentation we will go through a lockdown drill. Students will be guided and supported through the full process.

During the lockdown, staff and students will be following the **CLOSE** procedure:

- **C**lose all doors and windows within the room.
- **L**ock up any door entrances to the room, barricade the door if possible, with desks, cupboards etc.
- **O**ut of sight (hide under desks if necessary, sit on the floor on a hidden corner from doors and windows).
- **S**tay silent and avoid drawing attention, put all devices on silent.
- **E**ndure. Be aware you might be in lockdown for some time.

During the drill students will be in lockdown for approximately 10 minutes.

We have made arrangements with our SEND team who have already identified students who may find this challenging. They will be collected from lessons prior to the presentation and taken to a room with SEND staff who will support them.

As with any drill, the purpose is to fully prepare students for such an event and to identify any issues to ensure we rectify them quickly.

As always, thank you for your continued support.

Yours sincerely

Mr Ransome  
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