

# Tapton SCHOOL

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Dear Parents / Carers,

We are writing to you regarding the tragic events that took place in Sheffield yesterday. Our thoughts are very much with the young person who tragically lost their life, and with their family, loved ones, and the wider community during this incredibly difficult time.

We understand that incidents of this nature can be deeply distressing for our young people, their families, staff, and everyone connected with Sheffield. It is only natural that these events may raise concerns and feelings of uncertainty, and we want to ensure that you know we are here to offer support during this complex time.

If you or your child require any support, please do not hesitate to reach out to us at [enquiries@forgevalley.sheffield.sch.uk](mailto:enquiries@forgevalley.sheffield.sch.uk). Our team is available to offer any assistance needed.

To help support our young people during this challenging period, staff will maintain the utmost vigilance over our pupils and identify anyone showing signs of distress. The school is able to provide a wide range of support for such children.

Please be assured that safeguarding remains our highest priority. We are committed to the safety and well-being of all our young people, staff, and the broader community, and we will continue to take every step to ensure this is at the heart of everything we do.

All schools within Tapton School Academy Trust work closely with Sheffield Children Safeguarding Partnership and the Police to ensure that our schools receive the up to date guidance on supporting the safety of children in the community.

We hope this message reassures you that we are aware of the impact of this news and are dedicated to providing the highest levels of support to all those affected.

Yours faithfully,



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