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## Issue No. 6

Dear Parent/Carer

Inspector Harrison leads the Broxbourne Safer Neighbourhood Team, Hertfordshire Constabulary and is working closely with schools and communities to help in keeping Broxbourne a safe place. He has asked if we could support by sharing important personal safety information about the use of mobile phones with Parents, Carers and students as part of the Broxbourne Safer Neighbourhood Team prevention phase. We will also be ensuring all students are made aware of this advice during tutor sessions and assemblies.

Please could we ask Parents and Carers to share and discuss the following advice with students:

- Do not leave your phone out of sight or unattended; as it only takes a second for a thief to strike.
- When you are out and about, keep your phone in a closed bag or zipped pocket.
- Keep your bags with you at all times.
- If you need to use your phone when you are out and about, try and find a well-lit, public area.
- Be careful when using your phone in a crowd, as it is easy to have it knocked from your hand.
- Stay alert and aware of your surroundings.
- Do not become distracted by people asking for directions/the time.

Alongside this advice Inspector Harrison and his team recommend the following:

- Set a PIN on both the phone's handset and SIM card. This will make it harder for others to use the phone, even if they remove the SIM card.
- Cap the phone's usage. This will set a limit so the phone can only be used up until a certain amount of money has been spent.
- Bar certain calls e.g. calling premium or international numbers.
- Know the phone's make, model and IMEI number. (Dial \*#06# into your phone to find out the phone's identity number IMEI).
- Do not store any personal details, such as bank account details.
- Sign up to an app that can help trace the phone if it goes missing. For example, Find my Phone.
- Register the phone on Immobilise, so if it is lost or stolen but then gets found, police can use Immobilise to return it to them.

If you have any concerns or queries relating to any of the above information, please do not hesitate to contact your child's Assistant or Year Achievement Coordinator.

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