



Woolwich Polytechnic School

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Dear Parent/Carer

Keeping the Poly Community Safe

I am writing to inform you that part of our continuous efforts to keep our students and staff safe, we are working in collaboration with our school police officer.

We have been recommended to follow the current practice in most secondary schools, of installing random half termly no warning metal detector arches in the future. This will mean that all students will be expected to pass through the arch and to cooperate with the staff and Police during these searches. This good practice is purely a cautionary measure to promote our values, and to keep Woolwich Poly a safe and secure environment.

The Scanning Arch will be like going through airport security, and will detect all metal objects, so they should be presented to the police before going through the arch. Any object that could be considered dangerous or unnecessary such as combs and scissors will be confiscated. The purpose is to increase the level of safety students feel when coming to school.

We will inform you once the Scanning Arch Operation has taken place, and update parents on the results.

As ever, our priority is ensuring your child is happy, safe, and secure and his learning is uninterrupted.

Please contact myself or your sons Head of Year if you have any concerns about this.

Yours faithfully


Jo Lumbis
Assistant Head



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