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Dear Parents/Carers,

**RE: Serious safeguarding incident within the community.**

I am writing to inform you of the support that the College can provide following a serious incident that happened within the community on the evening of Friday 25th May 2018 which resulted in the death of a young male.

Although the students at the College **do not** have any direct involvement to the incident, they may have been affected by recent events due to friendship groups that they may hold outside of College life. Therefore, we plan to support students by offering additional group counselling which will be offered by the College Counsellor. As a College we are also in communication with CAMHS (Child and Adolescence Mental Health) as they may be able to offer specific trauma-based group counselling. **In order to effectively co-ordinate the counselling sessions for your son or daughter, please could you email the [childprotectiongroup@kingsthorpecollege.org.uk](mailto:childprotectiongroup@kingsthorpecollege.org.uk) with your child's name and any brief details.**

Alternatively, students can seek immediate support from The Lowdown (<http://thelowdown.info/>) which is a free confidential counselling service located in the centre of Northampton town. You can call to make an appointment on 01604 634385. They have both male and female counsellors available and they are open during the following times:

**MONDAY** 12-3pm | 4-7pm  
**TUESDAY** 4-7pm  
**WEDNESDAY** 12-3pm | 4-7pm  
**THURSDAY** 4-7pm  
**FRIDAY** 4-7pm  
**SATURDAY** 9am-6pm  
**SUNDAY | BANK HOLS** Closed

If you have any further questions regarding the services we are offering, please do not hesitate to contact me. You are also able to speak with Mrs Salmons or Miss Whitby-Smith about this matter.

Yours sincerely,

Danielle Eddy  
Assistant Headteacher / Designated Safeguarding Lead

