



**LATHOM
HIGH SCHOOL**



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Headteacher: Mrs J M Galbraith



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Dear Parent/Carer

Due to the increase in knife crime incidents in Skelmersdale we are writing to inform you that we will be introducing random screening in school. Please be assured this is not in response to any incidents in school, but it is to safeguard our community, ensure students are keeping themselves safe and to deter them from bringing unsafe items into school.

The Police Early Action team, based in Skelmersdale, have given all local high schools metal detecting wands and have asked us to support them in keeping our young people safe.

We will be randomly screening students in school in order to deter them from carrying any weapons and from bringing them into school. Any student found with a weapon in school could face permanent exclusion.

Please do not hesitate to contact school for more information.

Yours sincerely

Mrs A Wilcock
Senior Leader Student Development & Welfare

