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Dear Parent/Carer,

Pupil/Parent Letter - 'PE Supervision'

Issues surrounding the 'safe keep' of items of personal belongings (telephones, jewellery, designer shoes etc.) have presented themselves as difficulties for our school in the past, with some items being misplaced, or indeed targeted for theft. These have been serious matters that the school, as required, has worked closely in partnership with our Community Police colleagues to help resolve.

Such instances, although infrequent, demands that we are continually vigilant and ongoing in our endeavours to try to minimise the risk of such actions happening in future. To this end I would like to reinforce the following information:

Valuables deemed 'expensive' should not be left unattended in dressing rooms.

If such items require to be brought to school on PE days, they should be deposited within the School Office earlier that day.

(The PE department cannot accept responsibility for the loss of personal items)

Pupils must directly follow the instructions of PE staff and show appropriate levels of personal organisation and timeliness when getting ready for PE.

The procedures for supervising pupils in and out of dressing rooms have again been reviewed by my PE staff and their extra vigilance should also significantly reduce the risk of items going amiss.

The nature of business surrounding pupil supervision in dressing rooms over the years has changed significantly and no one system of supervision is ever full proof. We would hope however that our collective efforts in addressing this business would ensure that pupils continue to feel safe and protected at all times. Your help in reinforcing these messages to your child is very much appreciated.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Kevin McConnachie".

KEVIN McCONNACHIE
HEAD TEACHER

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