



Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> October

Dear Parent/Carer

I am writing in response to a threat posted on social media on Tuesday evening as part of what the media are calling the 'Clown Craze.'

I would like to reassure you that we are taking this very seriously, and we are working closely with Kent Police who are investigating the source of the original post. The police are also taking this seriously and are considering wider action to support all schools in Kent as these incidents unfold.

As is often the case with incidents such as these, rumour feeds hysteria and it is important to reiterate that the children are extremely safe here. Reports that police were on site yesterday because people dressed as clowns had been sighted are absolutely untrue. Police were on site as part of their investigation to identify the originator.

If you have any information about the original post, or if you would like further reassurance as to the safety of your children, please do not hesitate to call the Academy, and specifically your child's Head of House in the first instance.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Warren Smith'. The signature is fluid and cursive, with a prominent initial 'W'.

Warren Smith  
Headteacher