

To Parent/Guardian

Our reference: JW/tyh
Your reference:
Please ask for: James Winterbottom
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Dear Parent / Guardian

Manchester Terror Attack

Since the terrible events on Monday evening at the Manchester Arena, we have been liaising with our schools and with the emergency services to provide an effective response and support to those affected. It is my specific responsibility to ensure that support is provided to any child or young person in the borough that has been affected by this atrocity and it has been brought to my attention that your child was at the event or has been affected by it.

Firstly I am really sorry to hear that this dreadful event has affected your family and it is impossible for me to convey in a letter how sorry I am or to fully understand the trauma that will have caused you all. But I do want you to know that we are here to support you and your family. From the information I have from school I understand that at this stage you have no further support needs beyond the support that is already available to you via school or through primary care. We have provided information to school and to GPs in the area to ensure support is offered when needed, even if this is much later due to a delayed impact.

If you do feel that your child requires further support please contact school who have the relevant information available to them and who can contact me and my team so that we can provide the appropriate level of support for you.

I hope that in a very small way this offers you reassurance that we are here to help you and your family.

Yours faithfully,



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