

12th November 2018

Dear Parent/Carer,

The school has been made aware of at least two incidents of street robbery/muggings taking place at Southgate tube station over the last week. Both incidences took place in the early evening and have been reported to the police. I feel it is timely therefore to remind our community of advice from the Metropolitan Police on how to attempt to avoid such incidents.

- 1) Keep valuables hidden – our mobile phone policy is designed to assist with this instruction. If criminals were to realise that Ashmole is a no phones school the likelihood of muggings is decreased. I urge both students and parents to abide by this policy.
- 2) Awareness – related to the above, hoods, headphones and mobiles are a distraction to students and them having an awareness of their surroundings.
- 3) Safety in numbers – we would ask where possible, that students do not travel home on their own and avoid isolated places.

I will endeavour to inform parents of any further advice or guidance from the Metropolitan Police.

Yours sincerely

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