

This area has seen a rise in teenage muggings from groups of youths who target our children

# INFORMATION FOR THE PROTECTION OF **OUR CHILDREN**

Street crime is often opportunistic, so making a student less of a target will go a long way to keeping them safe. For more information, visit the Metropolitan Police webpage on protecting yourself from street robbery and advice on responding to violent situations https://www.met.police.uk/ cp/crime-prevention/personal-robbery/street-robbery/

#### LOOK CONFIDENT

Avoid slouching and looking downwards, instead look up and move with purpose.

#### **AWARENESS**

Headphones and mobiles are a distraction and can make students unaware of their surroundings.

### **BE PREPARED**

Plan your route in advance and know where the help points are in the community. The help points provide a safe place to go. If you are in trouble - look for the CHiPS logo and go in and ask for help from trained members of staff.

## **HIDE IT**

Keep your valuables, including devices and jewellery, hidden out of sight. Don't take lots of money, bank cards or expensive things with you to school - Label your belongings.

# **SAFETY IN NUMBERS**

Try to avoid walking alone in isolated places such as parks and side streets or any unfamiliar environments. Stick to busy places where there are lot of people, CCTV and good lighting.