

Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> October 2023

Dear Parents and Carers,

***Please see letter below that we have received from the Metropolitan Police, for Bromley, Croydon and Sutton.***

Last Monday I sat on the panel of a community meeting after the tragic murder of Elianne Andam and listened to the pain, concern, anger and worry felt from the community. I am keenly aware that policing is not the sole solution to the problems we are facing here in Croydon, but I know that as a partnership we can make a huge impact.

Being on the inside of the partnership gives me a privileged position of seeing and understanding the work that is going on within the borough already. From increased police patrols in the town centre, outreach services provided by our charity partners which aims to engage with our young people and health buses to support vulnerable individuals with drug addiction. One of the clear messages I have heard is that the community want us to be proactive, reaching those who are living, working, and travelling through the borough and there is a drive to do better.

I feel that we can be doing more to demonstrate this to our community and those not engaged with policing and the partnership. I don't want to spend a lot of time talking and planning, so I have commissioned a new initiative and I invite you to be part of this:

**Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> October 2023 – 2.30pm – College Road**  
**(the square outside Croydon College)**

I look forward to seeing as many of you as possible.

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