

10 November 2023

Dear Parent/Carer

I am writing to address two false rumours that has been circulating this week. On Wednesday 8 November 2023 we held our second Sixth Form Open Evening which was a great success. Unfortunately, whilst the Open Evening was taking place a member of the public was assaulted by several school aged teenagers. The assault took place in between the school grounds and Somerset Square.

One rumour that has circulated is that those who carried out the assault were SMRT students. I can categorically confirm that **none** of the teenagers involved in the assault are past or present SMRT students.

A second false rumour is that the person who was attacked is a SMRT teacher. Again, I can categorically confirm that the person who experienced this assault is **not** a current or former SMRT employee.

It is incredibly disappointing that a great evening was soured by the actions of a small group. A SMRT member of staff was able to provide first aid and sanctuary to the gentleman who was assaulted. We are supporting the police with their enquires and would encourage anyone with useful information to share this with the police.

We would welcome your support in correcting these false rumours and pointing interested parties to this letter. Thank you for your ongoing support.

Yours faithfully



Mr Planter
Headteacher