29 January 2024

Dear Parent / Carer

## BRAMHALL HIGH SCHOOL

## Re: Incident

I am writing to you all regarding the incident on the 25<sup>th</sup> January.

This was an isolated incident. We had three permanently excluded ex-students come to the area in front of school. As is our normal safeguarding practice, we contacted the police and the many staff on duty followed the students off site down to the co-op. The police understandably responded swiftly and in force given the potential risk of escalation. All three ex-students were found and collected by the police in the Coop area. As the students are permanently excluded and no longer members of Bramhall High it is now a police matter to follow up. The school will cooperate fully and work with the police to ensure it is not repeated.

Thankfully, following the incident, no student or member of staff was injured or required any medical attention. None of these ex-students were carrying any sort of offensive weapons and all our pupils left the site safely. I can only apologise for any apprehension and anxiety this caused.

As a school we take the safety of the school community extremely seriously. This is why we have members of staff on duty outside and in the vicinity of school. This is part of our daily routine. Staff in high-viz vests are posted around the Coop area.

Please reassure your son / daughter that this is an isolated incident and incredibly rare. I am confident that the steps we have put into place will ensure these ex-students will not return. My pastoral staff will be on hand to support any student who feels anxious or worried about the incident. I would be grateful that any social media posts on the situation cease / removed as this can exacerbate anxiety. I thank you in advance with your support of this.

Please do not hesitate to contact the school tomorrow if you require further reassurance.

Yours sincerely

Mr P Williams Headteacher

