4th November 2022

Dear Parent/Carer,

Re: Potential Shoplifting

Unfortunately, some of our students are making the choice not to come straight into school in the morning when they arrive. Small groups of students are going to the local Tesco store and returning with items such as: Energy drinks, sweets, chocolate and stationary.

All students should arrive at Greenwood School by 8.45am ready for keyworker time at 8.50am and as such going to Tesco’s will make them late or be given an unauthorised mark if not in school by 9.15am. Parents and students are reminded that students should not bring any items into school with them as the School provides all the food, drink and learning materials during the school day.

We have been given evidence from Tesco that a small minority of students from Greenwood are shoplifting items from their Hythe store. This explicitly applies to energy drinks as students need to be 16 years of age to purchase these items. If students leave the school site to go and visit any shop, returning with items they do not have a receipt for, the items will be confiscated. All confiscated items will be returned to the shop they came from or donated to charity. Any students believed to have stolen items from shops will have their parents contacted and the incident reported to the Police.

If you have any further questions please do not hesitate to contact me by email [s.curtis@greenwood](mailto:s.curtis@greenwood) or 02380 423827.

Yours sincerely,



Stuart Curtis

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