

18<sup>th</sup> September 2025

Dear Parents and Carers,

I am writing to let you know that one of our students was sadly involved in a serious road incident this morning, Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> September 2025, at the Lake Road traffic light junction near to The Portsmouth Academy.

The student is currently being treated by medical professionals and is responsive. Our thoughts are with them, and with their family and friends, and we are here to provide all the support we can. A small number of students witnessed the incident, and they are also receiving full support from our school team and external services.

I want to thank our staff for their quick response to support all students affected by this incident. Staff have been working with our students throughout the day to make sure they are properly supported. I would also like to thank the students who witnessed the incident for their care and consideration. If students are affected by this, then they can speak to staff at our Student Services hub at any point.

Our school continues to put student safety as the utmost priority. Before and after school, our staff supervise the areas around the school gates and direct students to designated road crossing points. We also continue to emphasise to students about how to stay safe on their way to and from school. This incident took place away from supervised school gate area. If you or your child witnessed anything regarding this incident, please contact Hampshire Constabulary on 101 with reference number #44250422375.

We thank you for your understanding during this very difficult time.

Yours faithfully,



Mr. D. Botting  
Executive Principal, The Portsmouth Academy