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Dear Parents and Carers

In an update to the message we sent yesterday evening, we have given the following message to your children during AM registration this morning and we wanted you to be aware of what your children have been told.

There was an incident in Haverhill at 3:05 yesterday afternoon. A Stour Valley Year 11 boy met a Samuel Ward Year 11 boy and a serious incident took place where the SVCS Year 11 boy was stabbed. Emergency services were called and he was taken to hospital where he underwent surgery. He is now in a serious condition and on a life support machine. The police have confirmed that this was a targeted and isolated attack and the Year 11 Samuel Ward boy has been arrested.

We will keep you updated when we are given more information.

This is a shock to our school community and ongoing support for students will be available. Staff are mindful of pulling our school community in close and looking out for one another under these difficult circumstances.

With kind regards

Rachel Kelly, Headteacher

