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Dear Parents and Carers,

As you may know, last week the Year 9 students attended the Safer Crawley event at the Hawth Theatre. This event was run for all Year 9 students across Crawley and all schools attend over the course of the day.

This event focused on Operation Sceptre and Operation Fortress, two current and crucial police initiatives aimed at addressing the national issues of knife crime and County Lines drug groups. I have attached a Parent / Carers and Young Person flyer on the topic produced by Crawley Borough Council.

Channel 4 broadcast a Dispatches programme last week called *Britain's Child Drug Runners*, focusing on County Lines. This programme shows the personal cost of this issue, as well as interviewing a range of parents/carers, police officers and young people about how they became involved and the impact it had on them. The link to the programme is here should you wish to watch it: <https://www.channel4.com/programmes/britains-child-drug-runners/on-demand/68368-001>

You will need to log into 4OnDemand to view it, and it is not suitable for younger viewers.

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