

14<sup>th</sup> November 2018

Dear Parent / Carer

It is with great sadness that I have to write to tell you that one of our year 8 students died yesterday evening following a collision with a car on Meadow Lane. I know that our students and parents would want to join with our staff to pass on our condolences to the boy's family.

We have been supporting all students today at this tragic time, and will continue to do so in the days and weeks ahead. Please do not hesitate to contact us if you feel that there is anything we can do to help or support you or your child.

I am very proud of what a strong community we are at Limehurst Academy and that means that we come together and support each other in difficult times. Teachers and other staff will be making sure that we are sensitive to students' needs at school. We are being very careful to make sure that our students know that there are a range of different feelings they may have at the moment, and that this is very normal. We are also making sure that they know that talking to their parents and carers about how they are feeling could be very helpful for them.

We will be doing something to remember the student in due course, following discussions with his family, and we will welcome ideas from students on what this might be.

If you or your child require any additional support, the following organisations provide care, support and advice to those affected by bereavement:

The Laura Centre [www.thelauracentre.org](http://www.thelauracentre.org)  
RD4U [www.rd4u.org.uk](http://www.rd4u.org.uk)  
Cruse Bereavement Care [www.crusebereavementcare.org.uk](http://www.crusebereavementcare.org.uk)

Yours sincerely

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