

25 November 2019



Holderness Academy
& Sixth Form College

Dear Parent/Carer

As you may have seen on local media reports over the weekend, tragically the body of a young man was found on Saturday afternoon in the local area. It is with great sadness that I write to you to confirm that Scott Smith was a student in Year 11 at Holderness Academy & Sixth Form College.

This terrible loss of young life will have a significant impact on the school and wider community and we have been working hard over the weekend with Trust colleagues, Local Authority Colleagues and Humberside Police to ensure that support is available for students, staff and of course the family.

I would encourage you to contact your child's Pastoral Manager or Progress Leader if you feel they need support, though this will be open for self-referral. This will be a very difficult week for our school community and we ask that you are patient should we take more time than usual to respond to other issues as this will be our primary focus.

On behalf of the family could I ask that you take time to speak to your child about the use of social media and any potential contact with journalists at this most difficult time. We must all unite together to ensure that Scott's family are at the heart of our thoughts and our sympathies, and treat them with respect at this time of tragic loss.

We will of course keep you updated as we learn more over the coming few days.

As ever we thank you for your continued support at this most difficult time.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'S Wilson'.

Mr S Wilson
Headteacher

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