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Dear Parents / Carers

## **Lockdown Policy**

You may have heard in the news recently that there is a new Bill called 'Martyns Law.' The reason for this is that the Government would like to pay tribute to Figen Murray, mother of Martyn Hett, who was killed in the Manchester Arena attack. Her campaigning has been crucial in driving this Bill forward.

We have had a Lockdown Policy (which is attached) in place for the last two years but as of yet have not had a practice with the children. I am writing to inform you that we will be having a Lockdown Practice Drill with the children on Friday 4<sup>th</sup> April. Prior to this, the children will have this procedure explained to them in a child friendly way. We will explain to them that we have the Fire Drill to keep us safe if there is a concern inside the building and we have a Lockdown Drill if there is a concern outside of the building. This drill is not to raise worry for the children but to prepare them if we were ever faced with this position.

Going forward, we will then have termly Lockdown Drills alongside the Fire Drill so it becomes part of our everyday practice.

As always, if you have any questions please email the school office.

Yours sincerely

Miss Richardson Headteacher









