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Dear Parent/Guardian,

It's that time of year again where communities will be enjoying celebrations including Halloween, Diwali and Bonfire night. These celebrations provide opportunities for us all to enjoy time with our families and friends.

Children and young people will break up from school this week and I want to remind you all to keep your child safe over this busy holiday period. The darker nights are now upon us, so do you know where your child is going, who they're with and what they're doing?

Fireworks provide wonderful entertainment when they are let off correctly at an organised display. They can, however, be very dangerous when used inappropriately. Remember that in order to buy fireworks you must be over the age of 18 and they can only be purchased from registered sellers. Please remind your child of this: any child or young person found in possession of, or letting off, fireworks in public will face legal action. They will also place themselves and members of the public in great danger.

Also, please be mindful of those vulnerable members of society who may be fearful at this time of year. I would ask you to ensure that your child does not cause unnecessary distress through their actions, whether by involving themselves in anti-social behaviour or associating with those engaging in such behaviour.

Any child or young person found to be involved in anti-social behaviour will face legal action.

I want to be clear that where legal action for anti-social behaviour is taken against any child, there may also be repercussions for parents/guardians and other members of the family.

Sandwell Police are very proud of our relationship with the young people of Sandwell and our wider communities. We encourage families to spend time with each other and enjoy this season of the year.

At the same time I would ask you, as parents/guardians, to ensure that the whole of Sandwell can enjoy this time together, and that the actions of a few do not spoil the enjoyment of many. If we all ensure our own child is safe, then we can be sure others are safe too.

Regards

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Inspector Colin Gallier
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