

26th November 2025

Dear Parents/Carers

Rockwood Academy is Open as Normal on Wednesday 26th November 2025

I write to update you on the local incident at the junction of Nansen and Naseby Roads yesterday.

At approximately 3.00pm we were informed by the Police that they had cordoned off much of Naseby Road, up to the school gates, due to the discovery of an unexploded "World War 2" device. I was informed that the device was unlikely to activate and that we were safe at school. The Police cordon meant that pupils and parents could only leave the Naseby Road via the opposite end, towards Hazelbeach Road or the Alum Rock Road.

As the school day was due to end at 3.10pm, I took the decision to release students from the far-end gate on Naseby Road only and in a staggered fashion to enable appropriate footfall on Naseby Road. Any pupils who expressed an inability to get home due to the altered route and lack of car access were able to remain behind for school staff to contact home. On Police advice, we also cancelled after-school Corrections at 3.30pm. We advised all parents of the situations with text messages home at approximately 3.00pm and 3.30pm.

The Police have informed me that the device in question has been removed and the area is safe.

I have felt it important to write this letter so that all members of our school community are fully informed. Your child's safety is our number one priority at all times.

Yours sincerely



Mr R Reeve
Headteacher