

Hutton Cranswick CP School

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Dear Parents and Carers,

I am sure there is a good chance that you will have seen, or heard, that the school was broken into last night. The side window was smashed with a drain cover, and someone managed to enter through the window and take the locked petty cash safe box. Police have taken pictures and fingerprints, and will hopefully eventually locate the person or people responsible. They did not go further than this one room as the alarm sensors would almost certainly have been tripped, and no electrical products were removed.

In assembly this morning I reassured all of the children that someone had done a very silly thing, and had potentially got themselves in a lot of trouble by smashing the window and taking something that didn't belong to them. I reassured the children that this had happened in the middle of the night when no one was here, and that the school is very secure. If you could reiterate this message hopefully any children who were alarmed at what they saw this morning will quickly feel at ease again.

We have had a brand new alarm sensor fitted into the front office. Chubb, our security contractors, are baffled as to why it did not go off and alert neighbours and police. This added security measure will hopefully prevent a reoccurrence, and we will have a further look at window security fittings to tighten up on this as much as we can.

If anyone hears anything about this incident, then please alert the police by passing on the information. It is a shame that this has happened, but it is a good opportunity to check your own security measures. As the policeman said today, having as many hurdles for a potential burglar to have to over come will put off 90% of potential criminals.

Yours sincerely,

Kris Henderson
Headteacher

