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Dear Head teacher / Principals

I wanted to write to you personally to let you know that from Monday 19 March we will be increasing the number of enforcement officers on Plymouth's streets to help us crack down on anti-social behaviour such as dog fouling, littering, fly-posting and fly-tipping.

We know that littering and dog fouling is a particular bug bear outside our schools and by issuing fixed penalty notices to offenders, we are hoping to tackle it head on.

We are hoping you can support us in the behaviour change campaign to encourage our residents to do the right thing and encourage children and parents to report problems when they see them.

Whilst we will not be issuing fines to children who offend, they may still be spoken to by officers to educate and inform so I'd be grateful if you could help us let parents know about the new initiative by sharing the enclosed article and artwork in your school newsletters.

Yours faithfully

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Suggested wording for article in school newsletters

## Environmental enforcement officers will soon be patrolling outside Plymouth's schools

From Monday 19 March, you may start to see extra environmental enforcement officers patrolling the streets outside Plymouth's schools to help crackdown on things like dog fouling, littering, fly-posting and fly-tipping.

Plymouth City Council has teamed up with specialist company Kingdom Services, to help ensure that Plymouth is a green and pleasant city.

The officers will be able to issue fixed penalty notices to offenders. Littering and fly-posting both carry an £80 penalty while dog fouling costs offenders £100. Meanwhile, fly-tipping is punishable by a £400 fine.

Council leader lan Bowyer said: "We know that people are fed up with issues like littering, dog fouling, and fly tipping, particularly around our schools, and by introducing extra enforcement officers we can now deal with these anti-social activities more effectively."

You can find more information at <a href="https://www.plymouth.gov.uk/envirocrime">www.plymouth.gov.uk/envirocrime</a>