

## Larbert High School

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**Falkirk Council**  
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Dear Parent/Carer

### **Operation Monarda**

'Operation Monarda' is an annual force 'week of action' in respect of doorstep crime (also known as bogus crime), with the dates for the operation this year now being confirmed as Monday 21st to Friday 25th May 2018 inclusive.

During this week of action, we have planned a variety of operations / events, under three strands of Prevention, Intelligence and Enforcement. These include:

- Visits to local financial branches and to speak with Managers and bank staff, ensuring that they are all aware of their responsibilities (to identify at the earliest opportunity vulnerable victims who are in the process of being defrauded of funds from their bank accounts by unscrupulous criminals and to intervene to prevent these crimes)
- ATM crime prevention / Operation Monarda Education Roadshows
- Crime prevention presentations to identified community groups
- Reassurance visits to previous victims of doorstep crime
- Joint Police / Trading Standards patrols and
- Patrols of estates containing sheltered housing

As part of this 'week of action', we have arranged for an awareness session to be held at Larbert High School in which Police officers will be in attendance to answer any questions you may have regarding the above topics, general crime prevention and having an awareness of 'scams' that are active.

I would like to take this opportunity for you to invite any elderly relatives and friends to attend this session. Although the session is aimed primarily for elderly members of the community, anybody is free to attend.

The session will take place between 3.30pm to 5pm on Wednesday 23 May 2018 and will be held within the Conference Room at Larbert High School.

Could you please RSVP by Friday 18 May by emailing [Larberthighschool@falkirk.gov.uk](mailto:Larberthighschool@falkirk.gov.uk) with details of who will be attending.

Yours sincerely

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