



SUBJECT: Fatal Locker Incident

RECIPIENTS: All LCC Schools

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Fatal incident involving changing room locker unit

A child from Essex was fatally injured when a unit of lockers in a changing room at an after school swimming club fell, trapping them underneath. Essex Police said the child was with family members when they fell and got trapped. Any safety messages from the investigation team will be shared at the earliest opportunity.

Schools are advised in the interim to review their arrangements for ensuring that furniture items such as bookcases, shelves, lockers etc. remain stable so as to prevent danger. N.B. risk assessments should include foreseeable misuse of furniture (such as climbing).

Helpful information on a number of H&S subject may be found on the LCC Microsite- [H&S Page](#) and [H&S guidance Sheets](#).

If you require further assistance or clarification on the subject please contact:

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