



## Public Health

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Dear Bromley Schools

I am writing to make you aware that the Metropolitan Police have contacted Public Health raising serious concerns in relation to vaping.

A small number of vapes have been found to contain dangerous and addictive substances such as 'Spice' and high levels of THC, the psychoactive chemical found in cannabis. 'Spice' is a nickname for a substance containing one or more synthetic cannabinoids.

Earlier this week, in the London region, we do not know the exact location, vapes containing 'Spice' resulted in five young people aged 14-16 being hospitalised with relatively serious health harms. We are also aware of other recent incidents of vapes containing cannabis or 'Spice' from areas elsewhere in the country.

In the latest London incident, the vape was a blue and purple coloured rechargeable metal vape device labelled 'Vapresso', which held blue liquid residues within a clear plastic chamber of a silver and black cartridge.

We request that schools, parents and young people remain aware of the potential health harms from any vapes, vigilance and awareness of the contaminated vapes are of particular concern at this time.

If you are aware of any incidents relating to young people and vapes, please contact: [publichealth.team@bromley.gov.uk](mailto:publichealth.team@bromley.gov.uk)

Support for young people using alcohol and/or drugs is available from Bromley Changes Young People's Drug & Alcohol Services [Bromley Changes Young People's Drug & Alcohol Services | Change Grow Live](#) and you can access further information about substances at Talk to Frank [FRANK talktofrank.com](http://FRANK.talktofrank.com)

Yours sincerely

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