

Safer Neighbourhood

Welcome to the SEPTEMBER newsletter.

As we enter the autumn and winter months, and the evenings start to draw in. It's a good time to check your house and garden security. Ask yourself; Are your security lights working properly? Do any garden hedges need cutting back or boarder fences need repairing? Are your outbuildings secured with good padlocks and ideally alarmed, with all tools and ladders stored within?

If sending your child back to school is both an exciting and busy time. It's important to prioritise safety and have a conversation with your child about how to protect their valuables and travel safely to and from school.

Here are some tips to help keep your child safe:

1. Discuss safe routes and travel plans

- Plan the route: Walk or drive the route with your child this weekend before school starts. Point out safe places they can go if they need help.
- Buddy system: Encourage your child to walk to and from school with a friend or a group whenever possible.
- Avoid shortcuts: Teach them to avoid shortcuts through alleys, parks, or isolated areas.
- Public transportation: If they take the bus or train, remind them to stay in well-lit areas and to avoid distractions like using their phone or listening to music with both earbuds in. Do they know a back-up route in case their usual bus or train is cancelled?

2. Talk to them about what to do in an emergency:

- Stranger danger: Remind your child never to talk to or accept lifts from strangers. Have a code word that only you and they know, which someone can use if you need to send someone else to pick them up.

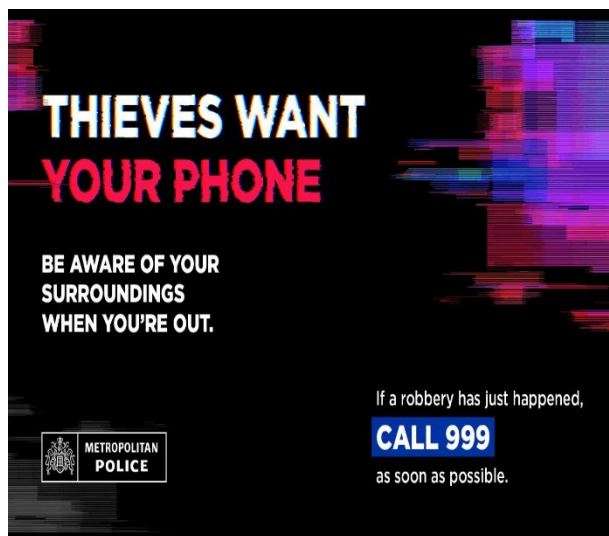
- Emergency Contacts: Make sure your child knows how to reach you and another trusted adult in case of an emergency.

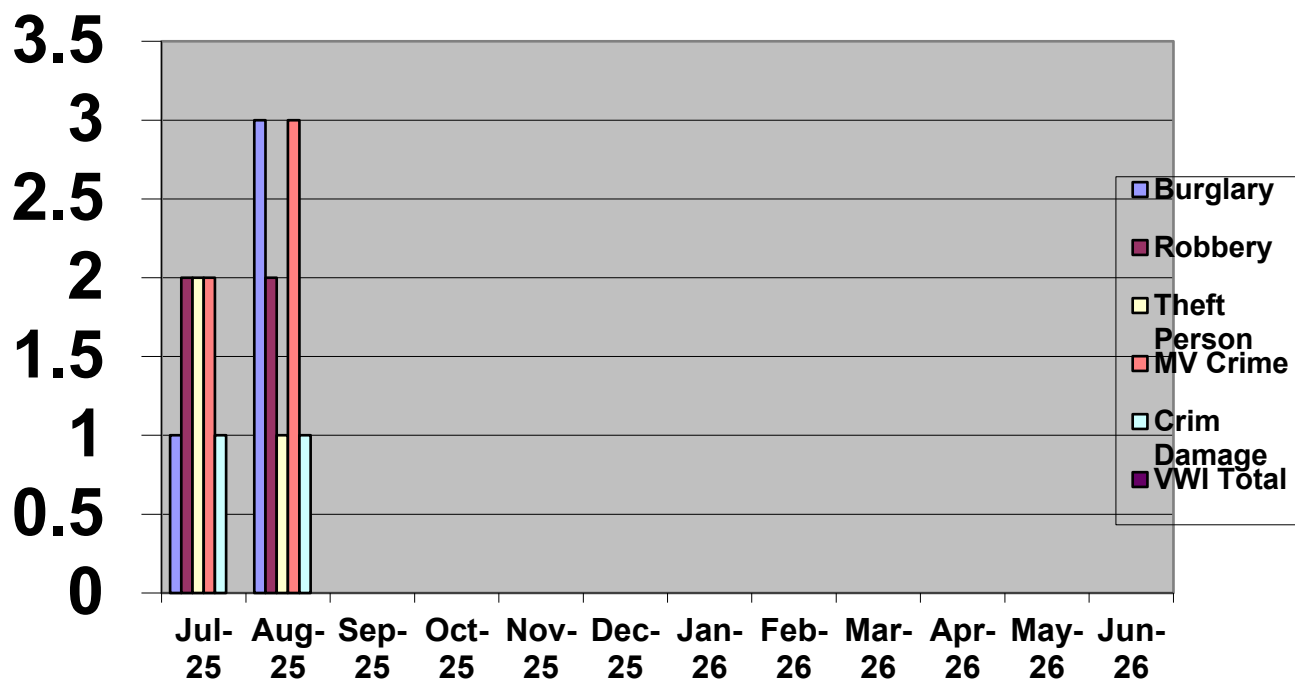
3. Secure their valuables:

- Label personal items: Clearly label backpacks, lunch boxes, and other items with your child's name. This can deter thieves and help recover lost items.
- Limit valuables: Encourage your child not to bring valuable items or large amounts of money to school.
- Switch on phone location: For children travelling alone we recommend location sharing with Life360 [Life360](#) | [Family Tracking App](#) | [Location Sharing & Family Safety](#)

4. Get to know their new school:

- Meet the staff: Familiarise yourself and your child with their teachers, pastoral team, and school security staff. This helps build a sense of community and security.





Burglary

There were **3** residential burglary, **0** attempted residential burglary, **0** non – residential burglaries, **0** attempted non - residential burglaries, and **0** artifice burglaries reported in **August**.

THURSDAY 7th - Sunday 10th August 2025

ASHRIDGE COURT, RESERVOIR ROAD, N14 4BE Neighbour noticed front door and video doorbell removed. Believe Victims were on holiday.

Wednesday 20th August 2025 between 1.30pm –8.49pm

WORLDS END LANE, ENFIELD, EN2

Entry gained by unlocked UPVC front door

Saturday 23rd August 2025 9.13pm

LONSDALE DRIVE, ENFIELD, EN2

Access via smashed front window.

Keep burglars out

Follow **3 STEP PROTECT** to keep your home safe

3 STEP PROTECT

Protect your valuables

Safeguard your building

Secure your outside

For more advice visit www.met.police.uk/burglary

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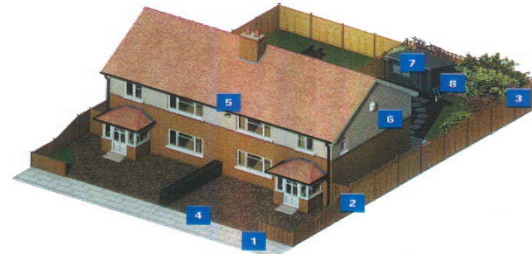
Valuables + Building + Outside

Securing your outside

Securing the outside of your property not only keeps valuables safe in your shed or garage, but is often the first line of defence against burglars trying to enter through the back of your home.

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Recommendations to make your home more secure



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| 1 Low front boundary | 5 Security light |
| 2 Secure side gate | 6 Intruder alarm system |
| 3 High side and rear boundaries with trellis and spiky defensive planting | 7 Secure shed door and window |
| 4 Gravel driveway and path | 8 Never leave tools lying around |

Stay secure in summer

Leaving ground floor windows, doors and patio doors open in the summer can give burglars the perfect opportunity. If you're upstairs or out of the room, even just for a few minutes, close them and help shut burglars out.

Motor Vehicle

There were **1** theft from motor vehicle and **2** thefts of motor vehicle reported in **August**.

Friday 1st – 2nd August 2025 / 1100hrs – 1.10pms

Merrivale N14

Theft of Hyundai Tucson

Tuesday 12th August 2025

THE PINES, SOUTHGATE, ENFIELD, N14

Wallet, Sunglasses, wallet stolen from his vehicle.

Wednesday 20th August 2025

THE PINES, SOUTHGATE, ENFIELD, N14

Van door drilled; power tools stolen

DON'T MAKE YOUR VEHICLE AN EASY TARGET FOR THIEVES.

THOUSANDS OF VEHICLES HAVE ITEMS STOLEN FROM THEM BY THIEVES EVERY YEAR IN LONDON. YOU CAN DO SOMETHING TODAY TO PREVENT THIS.

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Reduce the risk of your vehicle being targeted by thieves by following our advice:

- Check your vehicle is locked and secure every time you leave it. Thieves often look for easy opportunities to steal from vehicles. They will usually try the handles until they get lucky and find one that has been left unlocked.
- Remove all items from view by taking them with you or putting them in the boot out of sight. Thieves will look for any items on display. Things like clothes, documents, or an old bag might not seem like 'valuables' but they could tempt a thief.
- If you have a garage at home use it. If you don't, try to park in a well-lit, open space.
- Try to use public car parks that are part of the police approved 'Park Mark' safer parking scheme.

For more information on how to keep your car secure and other crime prevention tips, visit www.met.police.uk/crimeprevention.

In an emergency dial 999. For all other police related enquiries call our non-emergency number 101 or visit our website www.met.police.uk

This could happen to YOU



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Keep your phone
out of sight**



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PREVENTING PERSONAL THEFT

Don't give thieves an easy opportunity: think before you use your phone in public

Be aware of what's happening around you, especially in tube/train stations and crowded places

Don't leave your phone on tables in pubs and restaurants

When you leave a train or tube station don't use your phone immediately, leave it a while

Don't walk and text at the same time, you will be less aware of what is happening around you

Keep calls in public as brief as possible; the longer you talk, the more likely you will be targeted by potential thieves

If your phone is stolen

Report it to your service provider immediately so they can prevent anyone else from using it

Report the theft to the police and your insurance provider, if you have one.

Give yourself the best chance of recovering your phone if it is stolen

Mark your phone with your post code and house number. You can use a UV pen for this

Register your phone for free at www.immobilise.com

Your phone has a unique 15 digit IMEI (International Mobile Equipment Identity) number. Type *#06# on your keypad to access this number. Register the number with Immobilise. Also register this number with your service provider and if your phone is stolen, they will be able to bar its use across every network

If you have information about any crime and would prefer not to speak to police, you can call Crimestoppers anonymously on **0800 555 111**, or visit: www.crimestoppers-uk.org

Crimestoppers is an independent charity

The Metropolitan Police Service is here for London, working with you to make London a safer city

In an emergency dial 999. For non-emergency enquiries dial 101 or visit our website at www.met.police.uk

Robbery

There was **2** personal robbery, **0** commercial robberies reported in August.

Saturday 9th August 2025 / 2.33pm

OAKWOOD UNDERGROUND STATION

Mobile phone stolen from victim whilst on a 307 bus. have intimated they had a knife. Three male Suspects made off into Oakwood underground station.

Wednesday 20th August 2025

NEWSHOLME DRIVE, ENFIELD, N21

White slim male suspect was seen tampering with a vehicle, when challenged the informant was threatened with an "army style knife. Suspect made off with front bumper and front lights from vehicle.

Theft Person

There were **1** Thefts from person in August.

Wednesday 13th August 2025

Oakwood Underground station

Mobile phone snatched from female whilst leaving the underground station, male suspect on an electric scooter

Other crimes for August

1 x Criminal damage
0 x Criminal damage to motor vehicle
1 x GBH / ABH



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Team Members

Based at Enfield Patrol Base, Great Cambridge Road Industrial Estate, Lincoln Road EN1

Your Dedicated Ward Officers (DWOs) on Oakwood Ward are:

Supervisor
PS Alex Watkins
Dedicated Ward Officers:

PC Razeen Muhsin
PCSO Lisa Simpson
PCSO Kauana Oliveria

If you wish to report a crime you must always use 101 for non-emergency matters.

Always dial 999 in an emergency.

Useful Contacts

Nearest police station currently Open 24Hrs, 7 days per week

- Edmonton Police station
462 Fore Street, Edmonton N9 0PW
- Email: Oakwood@met.police.uk

