

**STCG public statement on the conflict in Gaza, Israel and Lebanon**

South Thames Colleges Group recognises the deep and passionate anguish felt in the region and all of the pain shared by communities across the world and here in South London.

We deplore the suffering, hate and division this violence has occasioned and call on all sides to bring peace to the people affected, protecting the innocent and vulnerable as their first duty.

Our Colleges will always be places of safety and respect and we will stand firmly against both Islamophobia and Anti-Semitism and all other forms of prejudice and hate.