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All lost property will be displayed on the court on Wednesday 20th March - please come and have a look.

All unnamed belongings that are not claimed are donated to a second hand shop.



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