



We aim to get the monthly parent magazine out to you with updates on your class, dates and information about subjects and any exciting news to share, but sometimes we also need to give all parents an update in between. We are going to use this style of newsletter just for this reason. Anything that we need all parents to know before the magazine is published.

Unfortunately, the reason for sending this update is not a great one, as we need to remind you of the expectations of all parents and visitors to our school.

Over the last few months, we have had several incidents between parents at the school gates.

These incidents have included, threatening, swearing, shouting and aggressive words and gestures.

In most of the incidents, children of the school and other parents have been present.

This has left children feeling anxious and concerned and during recent incidents, some have been crying and asking other parents to help stop it.

Behaviour by any parent or visitor to the school that causes any distress to children is not acceptable and all parents need to think about what the message is we are giving our children.

The governors have a zero tolerance policy to such behaviour and any unacceptable behaviour is followed up with the appropriate sanction. (see school website)

As a school, we are here to educate your children and not to be the judge and jury into parent complaints about each other.

Any unacceptable behaviour is responded to whether parents feel that they were in the 'right' or 'wrong.'

As in many of the recent incidents, the police have been informed and they are who will investigate and pass judgment, which could also result in a ban from the school premises.

The children work so hard on their behaviour and we encourage them all the time to work out differences in a calm and mature manner.

We are only asking the same of you.

Please ensure that your behaviour and the way you respond to other parents is always appropriate and that you are modeling to our children the respect and values that are so important to us all.

If you have any issues, please talk to members of staff and let us discuss them with parents.

You should **NEVER** talk to another child about their behaviour towards your own. If this ever happens we treat this very seriously and would always refer to social workers and police, as approaching any child when you are angry and upset with them could be viewed as a child protection concern.

Again, please talk to your child's teacher and allow us to raise any concerns.

Thankfully the vast majority of our parents continue to reflect the expectations of us all and model how we all would like to be treated,

Thank you all for your continued support and for helping us to ensure that our school is a place where your children feel safe and secure and where we are all treated with respect and tolerance.