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RE: Appropriate communication with other parents

Dear parents,

I am writing to advise you about the school's expectations when it comes to appropriate and inappropriate communication between parents.

I am saddened by the fact that I need to write this letter at all. However, it has been reported to me that there are parents who feel very uncomfortable at the drop off and collection times of the day, due to other parents acting in an intimidating way toward them.

While the school cannot moderate what is spoken about between parents, we expect all parents to act in accordance with the school's **Parent Code of Conduct, attached here for your reference** and set a good example to all our pupils by interacting with all staff, pupils and other parents in a courteous and respectful manner.

In accordance with the **Parent Code of Conduct**, we expect all parents to communicate in adherence with the following principle:

- Treat all staff members, pupils, other parents and any other individuals in the school community with dignity and respect

The school deems the following activity as unacceptable and in violation of the **Parent Code of Conduct**:

- Using offensive language
- Making racist, discriminatory or sexual comments
- Discriminating against any member of the school community, including pupils, staff and other parents
- Bullying, harassment or intimidation, e.g. sending abusive or threatening messages
- Approaching another parent or pupil to discuss an issue in a disrespectful, threatening or violent manner

We urge all parents to also ensure that any group chats and social media groups and posts are moderated in accordance with the above.

We want to ensure that our school community is a happy, kind place, where everyone feels welcome. We can only do this if everyone commits to playing their part in this.

Should you have any comments or queries on the content within this letter, please contact me via the school office.

Yours sincerely,

Kelly Martin
Headteacher