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Dear Parents/Carers

Safeguarding of the children in our school is my top priority. In order for children to feel safe in school at all times and for parents to have the reassurance that lunch times are a positive and happy experience for all, we have decided as a staff and governing body to introduce a change to our school Behaviour Policy. For children who are persistently, despite interventions put in place, harmful to others or themselves during lunch times, a consequence of Lunch time suspensions will be introduced.

The policy (page 9) now reads as follows and is published on our school website:

Lunch Time Suspension: This will take place where even when appropriate support including, but not limited to, access to either of our EYFS or KS1 Lunch Time Nurture Club is in place, a child is causing harm to themselves or others or is persistently taking part in risky behaviours that could lead to injury of themselves or others. Lunch Time Suspensions will normally last for 5 lunch times (5 days) which will count as a half-day suspension and will not affect lessons. The parent/carer will be expected to pick up their child at 12.00 and return them at 13.00 at the office. The parent will be given 24 hours warning to enable them to make the necessary arrangements. If a child would like a school meal it will be provided for the child to take home with them.

We do understand that for working parents this will be extremely difficult to manage which is why we have given the 24 hours notice.

We appreciate your support and if you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Best wishes

Emily Omell

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