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Dear Parents and Carers,

As you will know, we as a school are proud of how open and accessible we are. We take pride in the Stay and Play sessions we host, the Stay and Learn, the coffee mornings, cake sales, afternoon teas, movie afternoons, plays and so on that we facilitate so that you, and our community, can share in the brilliant things our children and staff do on a daily and weekly basis. Not many schools can boast of this in our current world and we take great pleasure in promoting our school and our children in all of the positive ways that we do.

Our staff always go the extra mile in relation to the happiness, safety and education of your children. Each of us works long hours, has sleepless nights, has to attend meetings, prepare paperwork, provide evidence, be judged and held to account for your children and their entire educational journey in our school. We are good role models, we treat each other with respect and model how this should look so that your children see positive relationships all of the time in school to reinforce the messages they have from home and ensure that they grow into fully functioning responsible young adults. We are all professionals with years of training, and all of the challenges that the training presents, and have only your children's best interests at heart at all times.

However, there are an increasing number of occasions where the behaviour of some of our parents leaves particularly our children, but also the staff, feeling vulnerable, threatened and intimidated. This is becoming unacceptable. After meeting with the staff last night, and in light of recent issues on the playground, the staff and I feel that we have no choice other than to impose a system adopted by many other schools where children are dropped at the gate and parents are restricted access to the school by appointment only.

We will be monitoring this closely over the next 2 weeks where I will report to the Full Governing Body the outcomes of this monitoring, in order for them to make the final decision on whether parents should be on the yard in the mornings and after school or not.

Yours faithfully,

Victoria Carr
Headteacher

