

## **Somerford Primary School**

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**Dear Parents** 

I am writing to parents of children in Years 3 and 4 following the serious incident on Thursday afternoon.

This incident was unprecedented and completely unexpected however staff responded swiftly and the situation was contained with all children being made safe very quickly. The school called for support from the police and officers attended school within minutes to support senior staff.

The child who instigated the incident is currently not attending school and we are following Dorset County Council procedures in dealing with this. I am sure you understand that I cannot comment further on this at this stage as the procedures are still ongoing. I can reassure you, however, that I will inform you as soon as any final decisions have been made.

I do understand that this incident may have been distressing for your child and I am pleased that some of you have spoken to our Pastoral Support Workers, Mr Walsh and Mrs Doherty. We are also working closely with the Safer Schools and Community Police Team and they have offered support to children in school should that be necessary. We are also supporting staff who were involved in the incident.

I would finally like to reassure you that additional security measures have also been taken across the school to avoid any such incident happening again.

If you have any further questions, please come and talk to us.

Yours sincerely

Helen Frampton Headteacher

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