

Mr D Roberts, Headteacher

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Dear Parents and Carers,

Respecting staff and the wider Community

I am disappointed and surprised to report that since sending out the reminder regarding the 8.45am gate closures, we have had some cases of parents being verbally abusive towards staff; staff who are simply doing what they have been asked to do in line with the school policy and the children's safety and learning.

Whilst these occasions are still relatively infrequent, I wanted to remind all parents that, should you feel that punctuality does not apply to you, you have the right to raise this as a complaint following the school's complaint procedure. If, on reflection, you recognise the importance of teaching all children the importance of being on time for their own organisational wellbeing and future life opportunities, then I would ask you to avoid repeated cases of tardiness that impact, not only, on your child's learning but also the learning of the whole class they disrupt. On the rare occasions you are unavoidably late, please remember that all members of staff and our local community have the right to work without fear of abuse.

In conclusion, I am grateful to the vast majority of parents and carers that model considerate, polite and courteous behaviour to their children. Experiences shape the brain so the more positive models of appropriate civil behaviour children are witness to, the more civil they will become themselves – a win-win for all of us!

Yours sincerely,

Mr Roberts

Headteacher

