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Behaviour Expectations Letter

Dear Parents and Carers,

My priority as the Headteacher of our school is to make sure all the children feel safe and happy. I have a duty of care for every child at Westacre Infant School and we have high expectations of behaviour. I know you feel this is important too. The majority of our children do follow the school rules and are praised for doing so. We have a clear Behaviour Policy that is consistent in school and we support the children and regularly refer to our school values.

Unfortunately, we do have a small number of children that are continually making wrong choices, particularly during social times on the playground. We want the children to run around, enjoys themselves and be imaginative, but I will not tolerate children hurting other children.

We need your help in supporting your children to understand that play fighting is also unacceptable. A lot of what I see at lunchtimes and playtimes is children pretending to be superheroes, ninjas or cops and robbers. We also have some children that will chase other children knowing that it is upsetting them. Play fighting always results in someone getting hurt and upset. When the rules are not followed the children and families have to accept the consequences.

We have adequate supervision at lunchtime and there are a range of toys and activities that your children have access to. Despite this amount of provision, we still have children that behave inappropriately and make the wrong choice. I am monitoring the behaviour of some pupils and if necessary I will be meeting with parents to identify any additional support or strategies.

As a parent of three children myself, I understand completely that young children are learning about choices but I will not allow the unnecessary upset to continue.

May I take this opportunity to once again thank the majority of the children for being kind and considerate. I would also like to thank you in advance as parents and carers for supporting me in this matter.

Yours sincerely,

Mr Edmunds

Headteacher