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Letter to All Parents

Dear Parents

It has recently been brought to my attention that, unfortunately, a small number of parents from school have been posting malicious comments about members of staff and the school on 'Facebook' and other social networking sites. This has been a source of great concern to myself and members of staff and, as a result, I contacted the Chair of Governors of the school and also consulted the legal department of Carmarthenshire County Council.

I received the following legal advice:

- That I should contact all parents of the school informing them of our concerns;
- That parents should be formally requested to refrain from posting any malicious or derogatory comments about staff members and the school on 'Facebook' or any other social networking site;
- That any parents who have posted such malicious or derogatory comments about members of staff or about the school should immediately withdraw them from 'Facebook' or any other social networking sites;
- That school staff should regularly monitor the social networking sites and that when any derogatory or malicious comments about the school are posted on these websites by parents that this be reported to me so that I can then liaise with the County Council's solicitors so that appropriate legal action can be taken.

I apologise for having to write a letter of this nature to you but it has been necessary for me to do so to safeguard the good name of our school and our staff. If you have any concerns or worries at any time about any issues to do with the school then please do not hesitate to contact me immediately.

I kindly request that you carefully note the contents of this letter.

Many thanks for your co-operation in this very sensitive matter.

Yours faithfully

Mr D R Newsome, OBE
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Annwyl riant

Yn anffodus, fe'm hysbyswyd yn ddiweddar bod canran fechan o rieni'r ysgol wedi bod yn postio sylwadau maleisus am y staff a'r ysgol ar "Facebook" a rhwydweithiau cymdeithasol tebyg. Mae hwn yn peri gofid i mi a'r staff, ac felly rwyf wedi cysylltu â Chadeirydd Llywodraethwyr yr ysgol ac wedi derbyn cyngor gan Adran Gyfreithiol y Cyngor Sir.

Dyma'r cyngor cyfreithiol a dderbyniais:

- Y dylwn gysylltu â phob rhiant er mwyn eu hysbysu o'r gofidiau;
- Fy mod yn gwneud cais i rieni beidio a gosod unrhyw sylwadau amharchus, maleisus am aelodau o staff neu am yr ysgol ar "Facebook" neu unrhyw rwydwaith arall;
- Os oes rhiant wedi gosod sylwadau amharchus a maleisus am aelodau o staff neu am yr ysgol eu bod yn dileu'r sylwadau oddi ar "Facebook" neu unrhyw rwydwaith arall;
- Bydd staff yr ysgol yn monitro'r rhwydweithiau cymdeithasol, ac os bydd unrhyw sylwadau, boed amharchus neu faleisus am yr ysgol ar y rhwydweithiau, bod chi yn hysbysu fi ac yna fe fyddaf yn trafod y mater gyda cyfreithiwr y Cyngor Sir, fel ein bod yn gallu dwyn achos cyfreithiol ar unwaith.

Ymddiheuraf fy mod yn gorfod danfon llythyr o'r fath, ond mae'n angenrheidiol fy mod yn gwarchod enw da'r ysgol a'r staff. Os oes gennych unrhyw bryder ynglŷn â'r mater yma neu unrhyw fater arall, mae croeso i chi gysylltu â mi i drafod y mater ymhellach.

Gofynnaf yn garedig i chi ddarllen cynnwys y llythyr..

Er ei fod yn fater sensitif, carem ddiolch i chi am eich cefnogaeth.

Yn gywir

Mr D R Newsome, OBE
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