



Oakhill Community Primary School

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Dear Parents and Guardians

Social Networking Sites

I have been approached this week by some parents who are concerned about the content of some of the posts they have read on Social Networking sites. Can I remind you that these sites should not be used to publicly discuss matters which may include personal disagreements between pupils at the School or for parents to vent frustration about school matters.

You may not be aware that comments made on Social Networking sites about individuals can be considered to be defamatory and lead to the onset of legal action being taken against those who made them. Therefore, I feel it is important to remind users of Social Networking sites to bear this in mind before posting comments. Social Networking sites are not as private as we might like to think and careless or inconsiderate use of these sites can cause unnecessary distress to the individuals concerned. This can have an adverse impact on the School in general and this is something the School seeks to avoid.

The School works hard to create a safe and happy environment for its staff and pupils, and should any parent have concerns about their child, or the School in general, I would urge them to contact the School.

Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

Yours faithfully

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