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Dear Parents and Carers,

Playground Safety

We have noticed since returning from summer that the playground is becoming increasingly busy at both drop-off and pick-up times.

While we acknowledge families wanting to ensure that children are transitioning into school safely, the large number of adults gathered around class lines and entrances can make this time of day overwhelming for some children, particularly those who find busy environments challenging.

We have also observed that several children are continuing to ride scooters, bicycles and other wheeled devices within the school grounds. For the safety of everyone, we ask that all children dismount at the school gate and walk these devices through the playground. We would appreciate the support from parents / carers to remind their children of this.

We would also like to remind parents that the use of privately owned e-scooters in public places is currently unlawful in Scotland and therefore we would ask that they are not used by pupils to get to and from school.

To help create a calmer and safer environment for all children, we would be grateful if parents and carers could:

- Accompany children to their class line in the morning.
- Once children have joined their line, kindly move to the perimeter of the playground rather than remaining around class doors or gathering areas.
- Ensure that all scooters, bikes and other wheeled devices are dismounted at the school gate.
- Ensure that school gates are closed when leaving the playground.

These small changes will help reduce congestion, support smoother transitions into school and create more space for children to enter and leave their classrooms independently and confidently.

Many thanks for your continued support.

Yours sincerely,

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