

Dear BKR

I was disappointed to hear of your allegations about abuse whilst you were a student at the school in the 1980s. Such behaviour <sup>would</sup> is, of course, utterly unacceptable and my immediate reaction was to ask the police to investigate the matter. This was for three reasons:

1. It is the role of the police to investigate alleged criminal activity.
2. If there has been an offence, the courts should dispense justice.
3. To ensure that no other children are at risk.

However, I gather (and you too may <sup>have</sup> be aware), that the member of staff whom you allege performed the abuse died <sup>over</sup> 10 years ago. Thus there is not a role for the police as they cannot interview xx. This also means that no other children are at risk. That I am sure will be of reassurance to you.

Knowing that xx is dead may enable you to live more peaceably and mean that you prefer to let the matter rest there, rather than have to relive the experience, so that we can investigate the matter further. You might like some time to reflect upon this. Whatever you would like to do, I would be very ready to meet you. Please do let me know what you would like to do.

Yours sincerely,

*Does the school want to be seen that it goes to the police  
in the first instance  
want to want to investigate it further*