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Dear Staff,

My apologies for the delay in sending you this information. Today has been busy.

The Headmaster and I spoke to the Year 4C, Years 5, 6 and 7 Girls and Boys today @ 12.00pm informing them of the events as they have transpired thus far with respect to YJ. I spoke with 4D in their classroom before this meeting. There were, as you can imagine, a range of emotions.

We chose not to speak to the children from K-3 at this time, given their age and ability to digest, process and/or cope with information of this nature.

I propose to visit the Year 1-3 classrooms tomorrow, individually, to speak to the children in general terms. I would like to speak to the children, informing them they are safe here at THE and if they feel unsafe, they are to immediately speak to a teacher. I will also reiterate the Protective Behaviours message that "children should never agree to keep a secret with an adult."

I will ask if there are any questions and if YJ's name is mentioned, I will say that "YJ is dealing with a matter with the police and he cannot come back to teach until this matter is sorted out." "We do not know if RE YJ has done anything wrong and that is the job of the police to sort out. Our prayers and our thoughts are with YJ."

-I would like your advice in this regard, if you can assist me with any thoughts or suggestions, this would be appreciated.

If parents speak to you, I would ask that you inform them that the matter is being handled in a sensitive, caring and compassionate manner for all concerned parties and that our first priority, as a School, is the well being and safety of the children. If you feel uncomfortable doing this, please refer parents to me.

Please talk to me if you feel as though you need to.

Regards,

YK Head of Preparatory School |

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