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Dear parents and carers,

Unfortunately, a serious incident took place on Friday after school, just outside the blue gates. One of our Reception children was bitten by a dog as she left school with her mother. The dog (which was not previously thought to pose a threat to anyone) had been tied up at the front of school and left unattended.

I would like to remind all parents that other than Guide Dogs (which have been specially trained for many months and are always closely supervised), dogs are not permitted on the school site. Furthermore, dogs must not be tied to gates or rails in the vicinity of the school (i.e. directly in front of the building along the length of the zig-zag lines or double yellow lines) or left unattended. I know that many families own small dogs and that sometimes these are carried into school, but I would like to ask that this no longer happens. We have a very anxious little girl in Reception who now needs our support in order to feel safe coming to school.

I'm sure you will understand how harrowing this incident was for both families, and more than anything, I would like to ask that you adhere to my request so that all our children feel safe coming to school. I have no doubt that as parents, you would never compromise the safety of any child by bringing a dangerous dog to school, but unfortunately, sometimes even calm animals react in an unpredictable way that can lead to such unfortunate incidents occurring.

Kind regards,

Miss McNamara

Headteacher