

Fairisle Infant & Nursery and Junior Schools

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Dear Parents

This week, we have been made aware of some of our children and families who have attended a birthday party in our school community since the start of the current lockdown. The photographs of children and their parents at the party were then uploaded to social media, and some parents, who were very unhappy brought the issue to our attention.

We are very concerned about this as we are all working tirelessly to keep our children, their families, our staff and our school community as safe as possible and holding such events puts everyone at risk. We have spoken with a doctor at Public Health England this week and they are equally clear. The current restrictions are in place to keep everyone safe and all households have a legal obligation not to mix and such events are breaking the law. We know that almost all parents support us and, as difficult as life is for everyone at the moment, we all have a role to play in bringing the pandemic to an end as soon as possible.

We are not here to police our local community, but we will do everything we can to keep all of us safe. Public Health England have recommended that we remind everyone to obey the law and they have asked me to pass the following details to all parents, as there is a way to report people you suspect to have breached the guidance on the Hampshire police website:

https://www.hampshire.police.uk/tua/tell-us-about/c19/tell-us-about-possible-breachcoronavirus-measures/

We would both like to take this opportunity to thank the vast majority of our parents and families, who, have followed the current guidance and have done everything possible to assure everyone's safety during this difficult time.

Thank you for taking the time to read this letter and please do stay safe.

Yours sincerely

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