



Biscovey Academy

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Dear Parent,

Following our previous letters of 23rd May and 5th June, regarding the surveying work that is being carried out in the local area to establish the extent of historic mining activity, we would like to respond to recent concerns raised by some parents regarding the safety of the Infant and Junior School sites.

As previously indicated, although investigation of areas adjacent to the Schools does not necessarily suggest any potential issues within the school boundary itself, as a precaution we have arranged some temporary fencing to be erected in specific areas until investigations are complete.

Two of these areas are on the Junior school field, where we have identified two small areas of ground settling which have resulted in a slight dip in the field surface. Areas of ground settlement such as this have appeared on the field in the past and we have responded in a similar fashion, by temporarily fencing off the area as a precaution, whilst we investigate. In each case, investigations have not raised any concerns and the fencing has been removed shortly afterwards. A further area of the Junior School field has recently also been fenced off due to its proximity to a bees nest, which has now been vacated by the bees.

We understand that children and parents may have ongoing questions and concerns about the investigations and precautionary measures in place across both sites, however we would like to take this opportunity to reassure you that your child's safety and wellbeing is paramount and we are doing everything possible to safeguard this. We have also taken the opportunity to reassure the children of this today.

The two Schools will continue to work closely with the Aspire Premises Team and other outside agencies to ensure we are kept up to date with the ongoing level and outcomes of current investigations and you can be assured that we will let you know if the situation changes.

Yours sincerely

Mr. M. Corbett
Head of School



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