



7th March 2023

Dear Parents and Carers,

I am sure word will rapidly spread about an incident in School today, involving two students - one of which had no right to be on site and the other was not expected.

I emphasise: for reasons of persistently poor behaviour, they were not supposed to be on site here.

They caused chaos, before eventually setting off a fire alarm. At this point, their ongoing poor behaviour was in full view of the whole assembled School. They were contained by myself and other staff, before being removed by the Police.

I am sorry that some students and colleagues were subjected to the disruption and verbal abuse. The Mock Examinations for Years 11 and 13, which have been conducted in exemplary fashion, were disturbed by the fire alarm.

I am particularly disappointed to have witnessed such appalling behaviour, when compared against the significantly improved and more and more typically excellent behaviour we have been enjoying since the Half Term break. It is worth pausing to reflect on the wonderful things that your sons and daughters are achieving in School, every day.

My staff are doing the rounds today, checking with staff and students who may have been affected. Please also be aware that the two students involved filmed significant portions of their time on site and have no doubt shared this on social media. We would appreciate it if you would discourage your child from viewing and sharing this material.

If you have any concerns about the incident today, please contact us. As ever, we will be honest with the community when situations arise – we do not hide things, we deal with them.

The Buckingham School is the community's School and the community should rightly be proud of the vast majority of its children, who are a joy to us every day.

With best wishes,

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