



Denmead Junior School

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Dear parents and carers,

Safeguarding Issue

I can now confirm that the police have finished the first part of their investigation and that parents that need to be contacted at this stage have been. The police will keep open their mailbox OpMemo@hampshire.pnn.police.uk for anyone to contact them with information, questions or concerns. If you have spoken to me over the last couple of weeks, I can confirm that I have also forwarded your information onto them.

The police have told me that the next stage could take several months, and that they will stay in touch with the school to update me on their progress. If I have any news that I am able to pass onto you, I will.

In the meantime, I am still reviewing the worry boxes and speaking to individual children. I did hold a whole school assembly towards the end of last week to reassure children that they are safe; that no child has done anything wrong; to explain that people react in different emotional ways to news; to check their sources of information and what to do if they have any questions (talk to their trusted adults).

Behind the scenes, the school is reviewing all of its security and safety procedures in all aspects of school life. We have also commissioned an external safeguarding review by the Local Authority which will take place on January 7th 2020.

I want to thank you all for being so supportive of the school in what has been a very difficult time for everyone in the community. We fully understand that safety and trust has been compromised and we will work hard to rebuild this.

Yours sincerely,

Elaine Viner
Head Teacher

