



**Hazel Wood**  
High School

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Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> January 2025

Dear Parents and Guardians,

We hope this letter finds you well. We are writing to you today in light of a recent incident that has caused understandable concern within our community. As you may be aware, there was an altercation involving some of our students outside of school hours.

First and foremost, we want to reassure you that the safety and well-being of our students remain our top priority. Day-to-day school remains a safe and happy place for learning.

We have taken immediate action to address the situation, and we are working closely with all parties involved to ensure it is resolved in a constructive and respectful manner. To this end, we have implemented the following measures:

1. **Support for Students:** We have made counseling and support services available to all students affected by the incident. Our school counselors and pastoral teams are ready to provide emotional and psychological support to help students process their experiences.
2. **Investigation and Consequences:** A thorough investigation is underway. We are committed to understanding the root causes of the conflict and addressing them appropriately. Appropriate disciplinary actions will be taken in accordance with our school policies.
3. **Preventative Measures:** We are reinforcing our commitment to fostering a safe and respectful environment. We will be holding workshops and assemblies focused on conflict resolution, empathy, and effective communication skills. These initiatives aim to empower our students to handle conflicts peacefully and constructively.
4. **Community Involvement:** We believe that fostering a strong school-community relationship is vital and your insights and support are invaluable to us. We will therefore be inviting parents and guardians to participate in a community meeting where we will discuss community issues and how school can further support our local community. A date for this meeting will be shared in due course.

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We understand the anxiety that such incidents can cause, and we are dedicated to maintaining open and transparent communication with you. Should you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to reach out to our school office.

Thank you for your continued support and trust in our school. Together, we will ensure a safe, supportive, and nurturing environment for all our students.

Warm regards,

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