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Dear Parents/Carers

As Co-Vid has shifted the focus in schools in the last two years, we now feel that it is necessary to review and develop further our invacuation procedures. Since we are very proud of our pupils' and staffs' exemplary performance during fire drills (evacuation procedures), we want the very same for our invacuation procedures too. To that end, all members of our school community will be taking part in an invacuation drill next week. We will be holding an assembly before the drill to provide pupils with information and give them the opportunity to ask any questions.

Guidance from the Local Authority and Police Force suggests that a series of 'emergency plans' should be in place to cover the following:

- 1. A reported incident, disturbance in the local community.
- 2. A warning being received regarding a local risk of air pollution (smoke plume, gas cloud etc.)
- 3. An intruder on site.
- 4. A major fire in the vicinity of the school
- 5. The close proximity of an unaccompanied animal eg a dog

While we recognise that as a parent/carer, this must be a daunting prospect, I am sure that you understand how important it is that our pupils are confident in knowing how to keep themselves safe in emergency situations and that they would benefit from the opportunity to practise them within a safe, controlled environment. The procedures we have put in place aim to minimise disruption to the learning environment, whilst ensuring the safety of all children and staff.

Please feel free to discuss this information with your child. Your ongoing support is greatly appreciated.

Yours sincerely

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Interim Head of School