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Dear Parents/ Carers

All staff at Seaton Delaval First School want to work with you to enhance the educational experience we can give your child and therefore we will always have time to listen to your concerns and we will strive to sort out any issues together. Similarly, we are always just a phone call away if you need to contact us to seek information or to ask a question. We consider it highly inappropriate and potentially damaging to use social networking facilities to discuss school, its staff, pupils, parents/carers or any aspect of its work, regardless of your privacy settings. I have been advised by our legal advisers to remind you that anything written on social media websites (e.g. Facebook) are publications and as such, statements made upon it are potentially open to legal challenge, especially when they are shown to be untrue or defamatory against individuals or the school. Our children, staff and governors have every right to be protected against untrue or misleading statements, which may be shared with any third party either verbally or within any written format.

I look forward to us all working together in the future for the benefit of all of our pupils and parents.

I would hope that if you have concerns in the future that you come into school to discuss these with me as social media is not the appropriate way to discuss concerns.

Thank you to the overwhelming number of parents and carers that support our school in such a positive way on a daily basis.

Yours sincerely

Mr O Flitcroft

