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Dear Parents, Guardians and Students,

I would like to inform you that we are continuing to implement our safety guidelines around the use of our school's playground. Students are not be allowed to play on our playground equipment both before and after school. A number of our faculty, staff and parents have reminded these unsupervised students that they need to be accompanied by their parent or legal guardian if playing on the playground. Our faculty and staff are not available to supervise students that are playing on our playgrounds both before and after school. This presents as a student safety and health issue. Thus, the need for immediate action with this notification home.

Additionally, a friendly reminder that there is to be no riding of scooters, skateboards, hover boards, or bikes while on our campus. This poses as a safety and health issue to individuals who are riding as well as to pedestrians who are on the sidewalk. There are signs posted around our campus to remind everyone of these school rules.

Lastly, I would like to suggest that students leave our campus immediately afterschool (2:15pm on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday. 1:30pm on Wednesday. Unless they are participating in a school-sponsored afterschool event (A+, ELL tutoring, robotics, Bricks4kids, Girls Who Code, classroom tutorials, etc).

This letter serves as a friendly reminder:

- (1) students are not allowed to play on our playgrounds both before and after school.
- (2) please refrain from riding scooters, skateboards, hover boards or bikes while on our campus, and
- (3) please make sure that you child leaves our campus after the end-of-the-school bell rings.

Your cooperation regarding this matter would be greatly appreciated. Thank you for your cooperation in helping to make our school safe and secure!

Respectfully Submitted,


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