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Dear Parent/Carers,

## **Fire Alarm Activation**

As you may be aware there have been a number of emergency evacuations this half term, some of which are a result of malicious activation of the fire alarms.

We recognise that the vast majority of our students are not involved in activating the alarms and experience the inconvenience of having to evacuate the building. Nevertheless, it has come to my attention that a minority of students are daring each other to set the alarms off, which causes inevitable disruption to teaching and learning.

I am therefore writing to advise you that the Governors and I will take any deliberate activation of the alarm very seriously. Any student who activates the alarm deliberately will receive, at the very least, an exclusion from school. You should also be aware that this could also lead to a permanent exclusion as per our school discipline policy. I will also pass this matter to the fire service and the police to facilitate their own responses.

Please may I encourage you to please talk to your child about the importance of emergency procedures and, more specifically, about the need to only activate fire alarms when there is a clear danger to life. It is important that students recognise the serious consequences to their actions and that everyone works together to ensure the safety of all students and staff in the school.

**Yours Sincerely** 

Mrs L Pond Interim Headteacher



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