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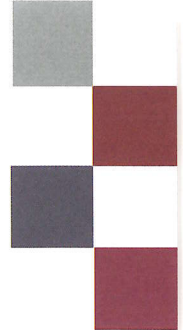
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26 March 2025

Mr and Mrs Davidge
22 Manor House Gardens
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Dear Mr and Mrs Davidge

Suspension of Harley Davidge DOB - 23 September 2009

I am writing to inform you of my decision to suspend Harley for a period between the dates 26 March 2025 and 26 March 2025 inclusive. This means that Harley will not be allowed in school during this period. The suspension begins on 26 March 2025 and ends on 26 March 2025. Harley should return to school on 27 March 2025.

I realise that this suspension may well be upsetting for you and your family, but the decision to suspend Harley has not been taken lightly. Harley has been suspended because "Inciting a fight".

You have a duty to ensure that Harley is not present in a public place in school hours during the period of this suspension between 26 March 2025 and 26 March 2025 inclusive unless there is reasonable justification for this. I must advise you that you may receive a penalty notice from the Local Authority or be prosecuted if Harley is present in a public place during school hours without reasonable justification on the specified dates. If so, it will be for you to demonstrate reasonable justification.

We will set work for Harley to complete on the days specified in the previous paragraph, i.e. the school days during the period of the suspension when you must ensure that he is not present in a public place without reasonable justification. We will set work via MS Teams. Please ensure that the work set is completed and returned promptly to us for marking.

You have the right to make representations about this suspension to the Governors' Disciplinary Committee/Management Committee. If you wish to make representations please contact Mrs Shurle Woodhouse, email: admin@kls.herts.sch.uk as soon as possible. Whilst the Governors' Discipline Committee/Management Committee has no power to direct reinstatement, they must consider any representations you make and they may place a copy of their findings on Harley's school record.

You should also be aware that if you think that discrimination has occurred under the Equalities Act 2010 in relation to this suspension, you have the right to make a claim to the First-tier Tribunal (for disability discrimination) or a County Court (for other forms of discrimination). Contact can be made by phone - 0300 303 5857, email – send@justice.gov.uk or in writing to: First-tier Tribunal (Special Educational Needs and Disability), 1st Floor, Darlington Magistrates Court, Parkgate, Darlington, DL1 1RU.

Making a claim would not affect your right to make representations to the Governors' Disciplinary Committee. Guidance on making a claim of discrimination to the First-tier Tribunal can be found at <http://www.justice.gov.uk/tribunals/send/appeals>

You are requested to attend a reintegration interview with Harley at the school on 27 March 2025 at 8.40am with Mr Still. The purpose of the reintegration interview is to discuss how best your child's return to school can be managed.



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You also have the right to see a copy of Harley's school record. Due to confidentiality restrictions, you will need to notify me in writing if you wish to be supplied with a copy of this. I will be happy to supply you with a copy if you request it. There may be a charge for photocopying.

You may wish to contact Edina Trefa, Children's Services at Hertfordshire County Council, County Hall, Pegs Lane, Hertford, SG13 8DE, email Edina.trefa@hertfordshire.gov.uk or by telephone 07970 193424, who can provide advice. You may also find it useful to contact a source of free and impartial information, including:

- The Department's Guidance for parents and carers on behaviour, suspension and permanent exclusion, which can be found here <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/school-exclusions-guide-for-parents>
- Every local area has a SENDIAS service who provide information, advice and support to children and young people with SEND, including on exclusions. Every exclusion letter should include details of the local service which can also be found here <https://councilfordisabledchildren.org.uk/about-us-0/networks/information-advice-and-support-services-network>
- Coram's Child Law Advice service can be found through their website <https://childlawadvice.org.uk/information-pages/school-exclusion/> or contacted on 0300 330 5485 from Monday to Friday, 8am – 6pm.
- ACE education run a limited service and can be reached on 0300 0115 142 on Monday to Wednesday from 10am to 1pm during term time. Information can be found on the website: <http://www.ace-ed.org.uk/>
- Independent Provider of Special Education Advice (known as IPSEA – www.ipsea.org.uk) is a registered charity. It offers free and independent information, advice, and support to help get the right education for children and young people with all kinds of special educational needs (SEN) and disabilities.

You may also wish to refer to relevant sources of information about suspensions. The guidance from the Department for Education, entitled "Suspension and Permanent Exclusion from maintained schools, academies and pupil referral units in England, including pupil movement" is available at [School suspensions and permanent exclusions - GOV.UK \(www.gov.uk\)](https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/school-suspensions-and-permanent-exclusions)

Further guidance from the Local Authority is available at <https://thegrid.org.uk/admissions-attendance-travel-to-school/exclusions>

Harley's suspension expires on 26 March 2025 and we expect Harley to return to school on 27 March 2025.

Yours sincerely,



Mr D Fisher
Headteacher