



Cavendish
PRIMARY SCHOOL

Dear Parent/Carer,

RE: Hoax e-mail threat to schools

As you will be aware, a number of schools received a hoax e-mail on Monday 19th March which made a specific threat if money was not paid.

Please be aware that when we were first alerted about the concern at Cavendish, the police indicated that the risk was low level and that it was being treated as a hoax. We were also asked not to share information on our website or to anyone beyond our immediate staff. Nevertheless, in accordance with the school's 'Critical Incident/Emergency Plan,' we took the precaution of locking our classroom doors and keeping the children inside. Since the threat has been confirmed to be a hoax, we have provided the children in the juniors with a brief explanation, outlined the meaning of the word 'hoax' and reassured them that the likelihood of a serious event taking place is very small.

Finally we would like to thank our staff and children for their calm and efficient response and all those parents/carers who showed patience, support and understanding.

Yours sincerely,

G.R. Murrell

GR Murrell (Executive Headteacher)

