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Dear Parent,

School trips

Following the recent attacks in Manchester and London, we have reviewed our policy on school trips, considering advice from Hertfordshire County Council.

We do not believe that a blanket ban on school trips is necessary at the moment. As usual, a full risk assessment will be done by the relevant teacher for each individual visit. Depending on the location of the trip, additional factors will be considered in the risk assessment. Communication between the class teacher hosting the visit and parents will, of course, remain an important part of the planning process.

Additionally, I have asked Mrs Dury to inform me of any school trips. As necessary, I will review the risk assessments which have been made before giving my approval for the visit. This additional step is purely to ensure Governing Body oversight at this time.

Should circumstances – or advice from authorities – change we will revisit our approach to this matter.

We think that these visits are a vital part of our children's broader education, and we will continue to ensure that our safeguarding responsibilities remain our priority.

Yours faithfully,

Miles Maxwell,
Chair of Governors, Ickleford Primary School