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Dear Parents and Carers,

Fidget Toys

I am writing to let you know about a small change to our approach to fidget and sensory toys in school.

Over recent months, we have seen an increasing number of children bringing fidget toys into school from home. While we understand that these items can be helpful for some children, they have also begun to cause a number of challenges, including distractions during lessons, disagreements between children, and upset when items are lost, broken or borrowed.

To help us maintain a calm and focused learning environment for all children, we are asking that fidget toys are no longer brought into school from home.

This does not mean that children will no longer have access to sensory resources when they need them. We recognise that some children benefit from using fidget tools to support concentration, emotional regulation and wellbeing. To ensure this support is available fairly and consistently, each classroom will be provided with a supply of appropriate sensory and fidget resources.

These resources will be allocated by class teachers and support staff when they feel they will benefit a child. Any resources provided will remain in school and should be returned when requested by a member of staff.

By managing the use of these resources in school, we can ensure that they are used for their intended purpose as learning aids rather than becoming a source of distraction.

We would be grateful for your support in helping your child understand that any fidget toys currently brought from home should remain at home from after half term.

If you have any questions or would like to discuss your child's individual needs, please do not hesitate to get in touch.

Thank you for your continued support.

Yours sincerely,

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Assistant Headteacher/Interim SENCO

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