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Dear Parents and Carers,

Abuse of Live Chat by Ashfield Pupils

I am very sorry to inform you that due to some inappropriate and offensive on-line behaviour by some Ashfield children, we are closing Live Chat until further notice.

I know that this has been a service that has been greatly appreciated by many parents and children to enable us to sort out problems with Learning from Home such as issues with links and log-ins; and for children to keep in touch with teachers and TAs and simply come on to say "hello". However, I will not allow my staff to be subjected to abusive messages and foul language.

It is very sad that the unkind and offensive actions of a very few are impacting so greatly on the whole school community at what is already a very difficult time.

While many children are being forced to stay away from school, there are lots of children using the internet far more than previously. This makes it all the more important that we have strict rules in our homes about supervising children and their on-line use.

We are taking this extremely seriously and the abusive messages are being traced and investigated.

Best wishes,

Carolyn Dalziel
Headteacher