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## Inappropriate Use of Social Network Sites – Message from Durham County Council

Most people take part in online activities and social media. There are online school groups managed by school for parents eg Twitter (@cestriaprimary1) and they can be a wonderful source of knowledge, support and advice. We encourage you to positively participate if you wish, with respect and courtesy.

Social media is, unfortunately, being used increasingly to fuel campaigns and complaints against schools, headteachers, school staff, and, in some cases, other parents or pupils. This is unacceptable to all and will not be tolerated.

We always try to make sure that the school is a happy place but recognise that there might be times when parents/cares have concerns. It is not appropriate or acceptable to share your concerns on Social Media. You are encouraged to raise any issues with a member of staff; if you consider that the issue remains unresolved, then please use the School Complaints Policy.

Malicious posts - in the event that any malicious comments are posted on social media, they will be reported and/or other appropriate action may be taken. School will also require that any such post would be removed immediately.

### Dogs outside school at pick-up time...

As a child was collected this week a dog jumped up at them. It wasn't attacking, however, less than a year ago this child was attacked by a dog leaving them needing plastic surgery on their face - this was very distressing for the child and their parents as I'm sure you can imagine. This child isn't alone - there are numerous children in school with phobias and several with allergies. We have one child in school with a really serious allergy to dogs.

I know that you consider your dog to be safe and you would never intend to frighten or alarm any child so please can I ask that dogs are not brought to the collection area outside school. Thank you.

### Diary Dates

May Bank Holiday: Mon 3 <sup>rd</sup> May	Half Term: W/B 31 <sup>st</sup> May
Training Day: Friday 18 <sup>th</sup> June	Last Day of School: Friday 16 <sup>th</sup> July ( <b>NOT</b> Tues 20 <sup>th</sup> as previously explained)

