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Dear Parents and Carers,

Important Information Regarding Fidget Toys

I hope you all had a restful and enjoyable half term break. It has been a pleasure to welcome the children back to school and to see them settling quickly into their routines.

Since our return, we have noticed a significant increase in the number of fidget toys being brought into school from home. While we recognise that, for some children, fidget tools can be a valuable aid to support focus and concentration, we are also finding that they are increasingly becoming a distraction — not only for individual pupils but for the wider class and the teaching of lessons.

As a school, we have a set of fidget resources available. Where teaching staff feel that a fidget would be beneficial to support a child's concentration, this can be arranged and incorporated into their individual learning plan.

However, fidget toys brought in from home will not be permitted unless this has been agreed in advance with me in my role as SENDCo. This is to prevent loss or damage to personal items and, importantly, to ensure that any use of fidget tools is purposeful and genuinely supportive of learning.

If you would like to discuss this further, please do not hesitate to get in touch with me directly, or speak with Ms Gower, who will liaise with me.

Thank you for your continued support and understanding.

Kind regards,

Mrs Kathryn Andrews
Head of School and SENDCo