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Oasis Community Learning/Oasis Academy Media City UK Statement

Dear parents/carers of Oasis Media City students,

I write this letter with the aim of reassuring all of our school community that our school is a happy, safe place for our students to attend and with this in mind I'm looking forward to seeing your child attend school this week to continue the great start they have made to school in 2021.

You may/may not be aware of an isolated incident that took place at the Academy on Thursday 23rd September which received some press coverage and with this letter I want to alleviate any concerns anyone might have about our school.

Following a student altercation earlier this week involving a small number of our young people we took swift action to suspend students and are investigating as per our robust safeguarding and behaviour procedures. We have notified the parents of the students involved of the actions that have been taken and I hope this update provides you with the reassurance that we are treating this with the upmost seriousness. As the investigation is ongoing and to ensure the right to privacy of those involved, we are unable to comment any further detail at this time. At Media City the safety and well-being of our students is our top priority. If ever any of our students' wellbeing might be at risk, we always act immediately to make the situation safe.

On a personal note, I am deeply disappointed by the actions of this group of students. At Oasis Academy MediaCityUK we don't tolerate this sort of behaviour, and actively shape our curriculum against it. We have worked diligently over a number of years to ensure our school climate is harmonious and is one in which students feel safe. The actions taken by a small number of students will not deter us from maintaining an environment where students feel safe and are able to engage in their learning. The students and staff have been a credit to the community in the way that they have quickly worked together to ensure there have been no further incidents in the academy. The safety and wellbeing of all our students and staff is of top priority and we have acted quickly to make the situation safe and will continue to do so.

I hope that you will join me in supporting the school and its students to uphold and reinforce the excellent reputation we have all worked hard to achieve. I look forward to seeing your child in school this week to continue the great start that they have made.

Yours sincerely,

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