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Dear Parents/Carers,

It is my sincere hope that this letter finds you well. I am writing this letter to regrettably inform you about the damage that has been made to the MUGA pitch as well as the surrounding school property and equipment.

During the school holidays, and after school hours, trespassers have broken into our premises with the sole purpose of damaging and vandalising school property, namely the MUGA pitch and playground equipment. Fencing was cut through, electronic equipment broken, and padlocks stolen. Trespassers have set fire to the pitch and partaken in smoking, drinking and further illegal activity.

It is not within our budget to repair or replace any damage that has been made. The MUGA was originally funded so that we could enrich our PE curriculum and offer a place for the community to use. Unfortunately, the trust we have placed on the community to respect this space has been disrespected and abused. As parents/carers of the children of Quarry Hill Academy, and members of the community, I am asking you to be vigilant of any destruction or vandalism on or around our school site. If you see groups climbing on the fences, please report this to the police.

We are currently proceeding with prosecution of one group who mindlessly destroyed our nursery fencing and surrounding equipment; police are keenly aware of our concern. We have also shared this concern with the surrounding secondary schools, who are also aware that their students have been involved.

We hope that you understand our deep upset and cooperate with us so that we can get a permanent solution to the issue. Our goal is to ensure that the children can enjoy a safe education with full access to all sports equipment.

If you can support the school with repairs or replacements, we will gratefully accept. This could be in the form paying to advertise your business in the school magazine.

Yours faithfully,

Mrs Wakeling

