

live together like brothers or we die together like fools.” Even if you do not like someone very much, you must learn to have a good working relationship with them. This is good preparation for life. You will not like everyone who meet in your life. You may not even like certain members of your own family! If you go to college or get a job, you will not like everyone – but you have to learn to work with them and relate to them in a proper way. Ask your father and mother if they like everyone they work with – and see what they say. This is a life skill we must all learn.

Some pupils are getting hurt in school by other pupils. This is not acceptable. I warn you, if you are found guilty of violent behaviour – the school will act firmly. If it is serious, you will be sent home from school and we will not want to see you again until we have had a serious meeting with your parents. Last year, some girls left because of boys who were rough with them. This year, if there is the same problem, it will not be the girls who leave but the boys who will be expelled. Our school policy is zero tolerance for violent behaviour. We want our pupils to develop the life skills that mean that violence is not necessary. If you see someone being violent, then please report them, and we will try and help them before they leave school and become just one more Bangladeshi who only knows how to relate to people through violence. We are trying to train you to be good people and a good example to others in your country. God bless you.



YOUR BAGS!

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When I was a pupil at school, each of us had a desk which had a sloping lid that opened and, inside, was a deep box where you could keep all your books. Nowadays, desks are too expensive

and the pupils have to have big bags and keep most of their books at home. I know your bags are a problem but no one has an easy answer to this problem. The only solution is for you to be very sensible about your bag and other people’s bags.

Do not carry unnecessary books. Check your bag before you come to school to see you have what you need for the coming day but nothing more. Please do not bring valuable things to school in it. Don’t keep your purses (moneybags) in your bags. Have a pocket with a zip or a little purse on a strap.

But, above all, respect each other’s bags. Do not open or move someone else’s bag. It is not yours. Respect what belongs to others. If you do not keep that rule, you could be tempted to take something from other people’s bag and so become thieves. We have had an example already this term of money being taken from a girl’s bag. But, if you get into the habit of not touching other pupils’ bags then you will not be tempted to steal. If you see someone else touching another person’s bag, tell them, “Hands off! That is not yours!” Can you say that?Say it a bit more loudly so that the person knows you mean it.....You want people to respect your things so you respect the things of others.

If we have a culture of respect in this school, there will be a very good feeling here, a good spirit, a good atmosphere. If you and I know there are members of The British School team who are thieves, it will be horrible. So please look after your own bag and respect other people’s.

God bless you.