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Dear Parent/Carer,

Regarding: Civil Unrest in Hull

As the new school year begins, it is with sadness that we think back to the events in the summer when protests escalated into looting and violence in the city centre.

This letter aims to reassure you that we will address these issues from a position of tolerance and understanding, being an inclusive and diverse school. Racial tension and incidents at Boulevard Academy are very rare as the overwhelming majority of students get on very well together.

Boulevard staff have a wealth of experience in dealing with incidents and the safeguarding and wellbeing of students is our priority at all times. As such, we do not want any student to feel anxious about returning to school. We will be revisiting key messages around extremism, racism and British Values, alongside teaching about hate crime and how the law deals with this.

We will also spend time listening to our students as we link in with relevant supportive agencies; staff will be vigilant and confident in dealing with any issue that arises. As recently as July 10th we celebrated the diverse cultures in school through 'Culture Day' with students wearing traditional dress throughout the day and a wide range of initiatives helped to promote respect, tolerance and understanding.

Should you have any specific concerns or worries, you must let us know as soon as possible and staff will work hard to support you by dealing with these to give you confidence that The Boulevard Academy is a safe place.

Yours faithfully,

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Mr R Khan Interim Headteacher