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RISEDALE SCHOOL
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Dear parent/carer,

SUBJECT: Aerosols, Sprays and Perfumes

I am writing to let all families know that **aerosol sprays** (including spray deodorants, hairspray and body sprays), as well as **perfumes and aftershaves,** are not permitted on the school site.

While we actively encourage pupils to take pride in their personal hygiene, spray products and strong fragrances present significant health and safety risks within a busy school environment:

- **Asthma and Allergies:** Several pupils and members of staff have severe asthma, respiratory conditions, or sensitivities. In enclosed spaces such as corridors, classrooms, and PE changing rooms, aerosol fumes and heavy perfumes linger in the air and can trigger serious asthma attacks, breathing difficulties, or migraines.
- **Fire Safety and Disruption:** Pressurised aerosol cans are flammable and pose a safety hazard if misused or damaged. Furthermore, aerosol particles can set off alarms.
- **Breakage Hazards:** Glass perfume and aftershave bottles can easily shatter on hard floors in changing rooms or corridors, creating a risk of injury.

Permitted Alternatives
Pupils are very welcome to bring **roll-on, stick, or cream deodorants** into school for use after PE or during the day. Where possible, we ask that these are unscented or lightly scented.

School Procedure
Please support us by checking your child's school bag and PE kit to ensure no aerosols, perfumes, or aftershaves are brought onto the premises. Aerosols/sprays/perfumes seen or used in school will be confiscated by staff to ensure we are supporting everyone's health and being inclusive. Confiscated items will be stored securely at Reception and will need to be collected by a parent/carer.

Thank you for your continued cooperation in helping us maintain a safe, healthy, and inclusive environment for every member of our school community. If your child has a medical condition affected by sprays/fragrances that we are not yet aware of, please contact enquiries@risedale.org.uk so we can update their care plan.

Yours sincerely,

Greenwood.

Mrs L Greenwood
Headteacher