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KESKA: I go to the fridge to see if there is any leftovers from dinner and I see a plate with my name on it written in the cook's hand. I take it out and pop it in the mic., to heat up, sitting at the kitchen counter I eat my dinner, then head up to bed. I am exhausted. I got up the next morning still feeling sore from the work out from the day before and the rejection I got from Jessie. I turn my alarm off before it has a chance to ring, and head to my bathroom for a long shower. How do I want to do this, Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, or Monday, Wednesday, Friday. I will have to discuss it with Mackie. I finished getting ready for school, I change the bandage on my arm and head downstairs.

KESKA: I walk into the kitchen to the smell of bacon and eggs cooking. "Good morning, Sarah" I say to the cook. "Good morning, Keska. I hope you found your dinner last night." "I did, thank you, it was delicious, but why did we have the twins' favorite meal?" "I don't know, your mother came home early yesterday and then at 4:30 came and asked me to make it." "Was she ok? mom I mean." "I think so, she did seem maybe a bit out of sorts." "But come sit I have breakfast ready for you." She tells me. Halfway through my breakfast the twins come piling into the kitchen. "Where were you yesterday brat." James says to me. "Why, did you miss me?" "No." "Then what do you care where I was." Before he

could reply both mom and father came into the kitchen. "Are you ok mom?" I asked her "I am fine dear, why?" "Sarah said that you seemed out of sorts yesterday, I am just worried for you that's all." I tell her. "I am fine." She pats my hand, and before anyone else can say anything, I head out the door, go jump on my bike head over to Mackie's. "Hey you ready?" I link her. "Yea, just heading out now." "At least it's not raining today." I say to her. "Yeah, happy for that." "Did anything happen last night; you know with the whole Jessie issue?" she asked me. "I think mom felt the bond snap." I tell her as we are riding to school. "Why what happened?" "Sarah said that she came home early and was in her room resting most of the afternoon, and then told her to make the twins' favorite meal." "That is so messed up." She says. "Yeah, well it is what it is, and we can't change what happened." I tell her. "But we do have to figure out a schedule for our week with Nana." I tell her. "I think, I would like to go today and then again on Thursday, that way Wednesday and Friday are still open for Aikido and archery." She says. "Ok, then we have a plan." I say. We get to school and make it to class before the first bell rings.

KESKA: We get through school without too much of an issue, Betsy did tell us that Jessie did start picking off her again, but she did let Beta Pierce know this time, and she had the wherewithal to record Jessie bullying her and sent the recording to him as well. I told her she did good, and not to

worry. After school Mackie and I headed to Nana's to do our homework and training.

CALLEN: I receive a text and a recording from an unknown number, but when I listen to the recording, I know the voice. I am furious, he said he would not let bullying happen in this pack, and yet here is his own daughter being a bully. I head straight to his office and confront him with the recording.

DRAKE: I hear a loud knock on my office door, and before I can answer it, it becomes a pounding. "Come in." I call out. My office door opens with a bang and Beta Pierce is standing in front of me looking very pissed off. "Beta Pierce, what can I do for you?" I ask him. "You promised Carson that there would be no bullying in this pack! You swore to it!" "I have kept my word to my uncle, I do not allow bullying." I said to him. "Really?! Then what the hell is this?" he presses a button on his phone, and I hear a female voice, it sounds vaguely familiar, then a second voice, again sounds vaguely familiar, and then a third voice that I know all too well. "So, you have kept your promise? It does not sound like it to me, and one of the instigator's is your own daughter!" he bellows at me. "I will fix this." I tell him. "I am not going anywhere until I am satisfied that you do!" He tells me.

KESKA: We get through our homework and head out to start

running the course. I only get halfway through my second run when I get a link from father telling me to get home now! "Nana, I have to go father is linking me and he seems pretty pissed." "Very well go. I will see you on Thursday." "Mackie I will contact you later." I say as I rush over to my bike and head for the pack house. "I'm here." I call out as I walk into the house. "MY OFFICE NOW!" My father bellows. I head up to the second floor where his office is. I knock. "ENTER!" I walk in and see all my siblings sitting around his office.

DRAKE: "You all know the promise I made to your great uncle Carson, correct?" they all answer "yes." "Then why was beta Pierce in my office today shortly after lunch with a recording of someone being bullied?" I look at all my children, and I can see confusion on all but two of their faces, which tells me that not only Jessie, but Keska as well are part of this fiasco. "You do realize that if this were to continue that there would be no pack for us, and we would have to hope that Moon Rise would take us in." I know my words are harsh, but they need to know that this is serious! And not some joke, that they can just laugh off. I watched their faces again and I could see Jessie blanch, Keska remains calm and stoic, which tells me Keska was expecting this, and Jessie didn't think she would get caught, I am in some ways shocked that it is Jessie and not Keska. "I want the truth! Why was someone being bullied in school, and by one of you!"

JAMES: "I didn't do any bulling; I always try to stop it if I

see it happening." I tell dad.

LIAM: "I don't bully, I even broke up a fight because of bullying. I told you about it yesterday at dinner remember?" I tell him.

LISSA: "I didn't, and I don't bully, so it wasn't me."

DRAKE: Both Keska and Jessie stay silent. "Jessie? Keska?"

KESKA: Yeah, right James, only when it doesn't concern me, jerk. I think to myself, and just stay silent.

JESSIE: Shit I'm in trouble. "She was trying to take my boyfriend, I just warned her off is all, I wasn't bullying her." I tell my dad. And just glare at Keska. I am so mad at her right now I want to just beat the crap out of her for getting me in trouble.

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