



# PARK HILL PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Dear Parents/Carers

During December, I sent out 2 questionnaires related to our values and practice within school. I would like to say a big thank you to all of those people who returned them - we had 98 responses in total. On the website and SLT blog you will be able to read about how your responses have shaped our thinking towards values education within school.

Also attached to this letter are the results of your responses to the OFSTED questionnaire - we have read all of your comments and will address some of these over the coming weeks. We have already re-established Class Dojo as a means of communication, as this was a common issue that was raised.

## Children with Broken Bones or Limitations through Injury in School

Over the course of a year, we often have several children who end up with broken bones, sprains or who have to have surgery. Within school we have to make sure that, on their return, your children are safe because of their limitations. This involves us completing a Risk Assessment so that we can ensure that alternative arrangements are put in place to support both them and yourselves. This Risk Assessment has to be completed **before** the child returns to school after treatment and will be completed by either myself, the phase leader or class teacher. If your child has a plaster removed or further medical advice given after surgery, could you please make sure that you speak to the class teacher or myself when you drop your child back to school as invariably for the first few weeks there will be new advice given.

## Healthy Eating

Over the past few weeks you may have seen or heard the Governments latest advert for the Change 4Life Programme - look for 100 calorie snacks!

Half the sugar children are having comes from snacks or sugary drinks. Too much sugar can lead to harmful fat building up inside and serious health problems, including tooth decay. Fruit and vegetables are always the best choice, but if you're shopping for packaged snacks for your children look for 100 calorie snacks, two a day max!

Here are some suggestions of what 100 calorie packaged snacks look like:

- Malt loaf slice
- Lower fat, lower sugar fromage-frais
- Fresh or tinned fruit salad
- Chopped vegetables and lower fat hummus
- Plain rice cakes or crackers with low fat cheese
- Sugar free jelly
- One crumpet
- One scotch pancake

As a healthy school, we would like to encourage you to include these 100 calorie snacks in your children's lunchboxes or as their break-time snack. Please do not send them with chocolate bars.

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If you register on the Change4Life website, [www.nhs.uk/change4life](http://www.nhs.uk/change4life) for their snack pack, you will be sent money off vouchers for healthier snacks and stickers to reward and encourage your children for making a smart choice.

The website also contains recipes and ideas for healthier lunchboxes, along with ideas for exercise and fun activities to get them active.

#### Road Crossing Patrol on Park Hill Drive

As you are no doubt aware, safe parking around school is often compromised by people who fail to adhere to the restrictions. We are very fortunate to have a school crossing patrol at the bottom of Park Hill Drive, which is a very busy road, when school begins and finishes. When crossing at the bottom of the road, please listen to the instructions that the school crossing patrol person issues. He is trained to keep all of our children safe and if we do not cross at the point he monitors then we may lose this provision in the future.

#### Pokemon, Match Attax and any other swap cards

In KS2, we are finding that we are having to deal with more and more squabbles about cards that have been swapped, and also one of the children has had their book taken. We have therefore decided, that the children will now only be allowed to bring their cards into school on a **Friday**. During their Golden Time, on Friday afternoon, we will be setting up a supervised swap-shop in the hall where the children can swap and share their cards with others.

#### Sports Day 2018

Several parents have also asked us if we can provide them with the date of Sports Day so that they can book the day off as holiday. Following on from feedback after last year's event, we have decided to split KS1 and KS2 so that parents have an opportunity to follow their children around the events without the rushing from one age group to another. Therefore, KS1 - Yrs 1 and 2 - will have their sports morning on Friday 29<sup>th</sup> June am and KS2 - Years 3-6 - Friday 29<sup>th</sup> June pm.

Reception Sports Day will be Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> June 2018 - pm.

Alternative Sports Days in case of bad weather will be Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> July 2018 pm for Reception and Friday 6<sup>th</sup> July am KS1 - Years 1 and 2 - and pm on the same date for KS2 - Years 3-6.

Timings will be confirmed nearer to the date.

#### Charity events

Finally, over the course of the Autumn Term we had several successful fundraising events. We raised money for:

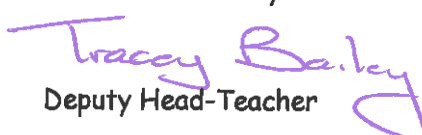
Kidscape - Anti-bullying charity £140.60

Children in Need - £1933.16 and a further £500 matched funding from Lloyds Bank £2433.16

Christmas Jumper Day for Save the Children - £252

The school council and I would like to say a really big thank you for your fantastic support. These events could not happen without your contributions and for this we and the charities are extremely grateful.

Yours Sincerely

  
Deputy Head-Teacher