Dear parents and carers,

I hope you had a relaxing break. It has been wonderful to welcome the children back and it has been great to see the sun finally making an appearance this week.

In assembly this week Mrs Coplin and I talked to the children about behaviour and expectations. We have recently made some changes to improve behaviour when walking around school and the children have adapted so well to this and are being very sensible in the corridors.



We are seeing more and more children attending school in tracksuits. Tracksuits are acceptable when the children are asked to come into school in PE clothes and should be in school colours – navy, grey or black, preferably without large logos or branding.

However, there are many children wearing tracksuits on days when they are not taking part in PE. Please can we remind you unless children are asked to come into school wearing sports wear they should be wearing clothes which adhere to the school uniform requirements. These can be found on our website <u>Overdale Infant School - Uniform (overdale-inf.leicester.sch.uk)</u>

If you are short of items or children have grown out of items please do take a look at our second-hand uniform shop online as you may be able to pick up items at a very low cost. See the link below:

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We have also reviewed our Guidelines for PE sessions and we would like to draw your attention to the following:

- 1. Long hair should be tied back.
- 2. No jewellery should be worn.
- 3. Children are expected to remove their own jewellery (including piercings) or parents must remove them before school.

Children will not be able to join in with the PE session if earrings are not removed.

## Reminders

• Please can parents and carers leave the school site promptly at 3:30pm once children have been collected. This is due to Health and Safety reasons particularly for those children using the outdoor area during after school club. Staff will ask parents and carers politely to move on after 3:30PM.



## Action required

- Year 2 Forest School Trips Payment and Consent needed by Monday 15th April
- Year 1 Forest School Trips Payment and Consent needed by Monday 29th April
- Year 1 Please complete the Microsoft Forms sent out on Class Dojo about the Year 1 Class split for Year 2 next year – Friday 26<sup>th</sup> April

Next week we have our Challenge Partners Review; this is a national organisation that facilitates school improvement. It is not an Ofsted inspection but it is a 'challenging' quality assurance review led by an expert lead reviewer and a team of Senior Leaders from across the country. We are really looking forward to this opportunity to celebrate our strengths and consider further areas of development.

Take Care,

Mrs Holmes

## Dates for your diary

Monday 15 <sup>th</sup> April – Wednesday 17 <sup>th</sup> April	Challenge Partners – Peer review for the school
Tuesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> April	Reading Sessions start – 8:50am
Friday 26 <sup>th</sup> April	PA Bingo – Info sent via Class DoJo
Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup> May	Colour Dash
Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> May	School Closed due to Bank Holiday
Friday 24 <sup>th</sup> May	Year 2 Sleepover – more information to follow
	School closes for half term