

PRINCE OF WALES

PRIMARY SCHOOL



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Listening Excellence Attitude Respect Negotiate Enjoy Responsible Support

Dear Mr Bless,

On Saturday a group of twelve volunteers from the Enfield Society took part in a litter pick-up in Albany Park and along the footpath which runs past the pedestrian entrance by the rear of Prince of Wales School. This was part of Keep Britain Tidy's Great British Spring Clean

We collected twenty-six bags of litter plus various other items of rubbish. Overwhelmingly what we found were empty drink cans, empty drink bottles and empty fast food containers.

There is no reason to suppose that children from Prince of Wales school and their parents are amongst the culprits, although unfortunately there was a significant concentration of rubbish in the shrubbery opposite the School's rear gate. We have done our best to clean this up. Regardless of who is responsible for dropping this litter, it is a sad fact that we all suffer from the degradation of our environment caused by the thoughtless disposal of these items, most of which could have been re-cycled.

It would certainly help solve the problem if children could be trained from an early age to become responsible citizens. The things we learn during our formative years tend to stay with us throughout our lives. Therefore, I am wondering if you could mention to your pupils that we have cleaned up this area and draw to their attention that they should not drop litter and explain why.

As I said above, we are not seeking to lay blame but hoping that our efforts will not pass unnoticed and that tomorrow's adults will adopt a more responsible attitude. I attach a photograph of our group with the bags of rubbish which we collected. With many thanks and kind regards,

Nigel King,

Cleaner Neighbourhoods Group, The Enfield Society



The letter above echoes the requests we make to our parents, visitors as well as pupils when they bring food and drink onto our site.

Whilst most deposit wrappers and containers are put in the bins that are clearly provided, too much of it ends up on the playground, leaving it to the school to sort out.

Please can we all take responsibility so that a different letter will be received this time next year?

With thanks to the marvellous volunteers for making our community look better.

Attendance this week

1K 96.43% 2A 95.67% 3F 94.67% 4F 94.33% 5G 98.67% 6B 97.00% 3H 93.33% 1T 93.70% 2B 95.00% 4G 93.45% 5L 94.83% 6H 97.78% 1Tr 93.79% 2F 96.67% 3N 98.97% 4K 99.33% 5W 93.67% 6T 94.50%

Well done to **3N** & **4K** for best attendance this week. Overall attendance since September: 95.03%



The parents are coming!

We are a national campaign set up by a group of parents calling for Fair Funding for All Schools.

Did you know that all schools in England are facing the biggest real term cuts in a generation? Neither did we. The government is telling us that spending in schools is protected.

But schools across the country are facing a growing funding crisis caused by real terms cuts to school budgets at a time of rising pupil numbers and increasing staffing and running costs.

With school budgets shrinking, the government is now bringing in a new National Funding Formula that will redistribute school funding in a way that will see many schools losing even more money.

The combination of budget cuts and the National Funding Formula means that over 90 per cent of schools in England will see net funding reduced over the next four years.

Find out the impact on YOUR school here: www.schoolcuts.org.uk

We think that cuts of this scale could lead to:

- increased class sizes
- loss of teaching and support staff
- less support for children and young people
- > fewer subject choices
- > fewer resources and out of school activities

Your school will be working with you to limit the damage and protect your children's education. But in one of the richest countries in the world, we shouldn't be underfunding any of our schools.

We call on ALL parents across the country to Join our campaign for Fair Funding for All Schools.

Take Action Now

Parents and pupils uniting across the country and making our voice heard is hugely powerful. The government will be forced to listen. Our MPs will forced to listen.

We are many and we are strong.

What can you do?

Join the Fair Funding for All Schools campaign:

www.fairfundingforallschools.org

facebook.com/fairfundingforalischools

@fairfundschools

Sign our petition:

www.change.org/fairfundingforalischools – we need the numbers, every signature really does count.

Tell the government what you think of their new school funding plans:

Use our guide and model answers to respond to the Department for Education consultation on the new National Funding Formula

Write to MPs and journalists:

Find model letters and other resources at our website. MPs from all parties already support our cause but their voice in Parliament will be strengthened if they can cite the support of thousands of parents from across the country. And newspapers need to know what's going on.

Set up a group at your school – have a meeting and invite a speaker:

Get in touch and we'll find speakers to come and meet parents at your school. Even better set up a campaign group in your community. Talk to your friends, get them interested, get in touch with us, spread the word. Download our guide on how to organise in your area.

Look out for our campaign actions:

Keep an eye out for our more activities and events. Get parents involved. Join in the fun.

www.fairfundingforallschools.org

Dates for your diary

Thursday 16th March Early Years Maths Workshop - 9.00 in the Community

Monday 20th March Parent consultation evening – Year 4 only

Friday 24th March Red Nose Day

Monday 27th March Key stage 2 Barbican trip TBC

Monday 27th March Parent Consultations evening – every year group except Year 4

Tuesday 28th March Individual photos

Sibling photos - After school until 4.30pm

Tuesday 28th March

Thursday 30th March

Monday 3rd – Tuesday 18th April

Easter Break

Tuesday 18th April Inset Day School Closed

Thursday 20th April Easter Bonnet Parade – 2:30 in the playground

Monday 1st May May Bank Holiday

Monday 29th May – 2nd June Half Term

Monday 5th June Inset Day School Closed

Monday 12th June

Year 6 Residential school journey
Friday 21st July

School finishes for Summer

Our Value for March is **Curiosity.** These pupils modelled the value this week:

Yilmaz 1T, Kerem 1Tr, Isabella 1K, Harvey 3N, Berkay 3F, Evelyn 3H, Jah'quan 4G Renae 4K, Jeyhan 4F, Caiden 5L, Ela 5W, Jenna 5G,

Ahamed 6B, Shakiah 6T, Shko 6H

