

# Ormesby Village Infant School

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Dear Parents

This second newsletter of the term contains some very important reminders, as well as known diary dates up until the end of this Spring term. We ask that you take the time to read this letter and to take note of issues which have repeatedly been raised with you, but remain a significant concern. Many thanks for your attention to these matters.

## Parking

Parking remains a constant issue around the school in the morning and afternoons at drop-off/collection times. You have been asked NOT to block residents' driveways, park alongside dropped kerbs and to park at the sides of the entrance and exit driveways in and out of the school. We continue to receive complaints from neighbours, one of whom alleges that a parent mounted the pavement/grassed area outside her property to turn the car around, and, in so doing, hit her car which was legally parked in her own driveway! The registration number of this vehicle has been reported to the police. Apparently a 'near miss' has also occurred since we have returned to school after Christmas, when a child was almost hit by a car. If you park alongside the entrance/exit driveways you obstruct legitimate vehicles from driving safely into the school – and from having a clear view when pulling out from the school exit. We ask for you to abide by these driving/parking laws primarily to keep your children safe – but also out of respect for the school's neighbours. Please park safely and legally at all times.

## P.E. kit

We continue to find that too many children do not have a P.E. kit in school when they need one. We have repeatedly asked that children bring in a kit on Monday, leave it in school all week, and take it home to be washed on Friday. Our professional coaches are concerned by the number of children who repeatedly do not have a kit – or only part of a kit – and often no P.E. trainers or plimsolls. We do not have these to lend and children are not safe if they do P.E. activities in their school shoes! Children will go outside, weather permitting, to do some P.E. activities and Premier Sport have requested that children need a pair of jogging/tracksuit bottoms for outdoors, as well as a pair of shorts for indoors. If they do P.E. outside they need trainers, as plimsolls do not provide enough foot support or have an adequate non-slip sole. Please help us to ensure your children can take part in P.E. safely and warmly. If you have a problem in providing a kit please speak to class teachers in confidence.



### School Uniform Supplier

With effect from 11 February 2019 the Tesco uniform embroidery service will cease, however you will be able to purchase from [www.myclothing.com](http://www.myclothing.com) instead. You can still purchase embroidered uniform from Screens of Lowestoft.

### Diary dates

15.2.19 – school closes for half term

25.2.19 – school re-opens

25.3.19 – archery enrichment day – details to follow

28.3.19 – Parents' Evening – details to follow

2.4.19 – Parents' Evening – details to follow

5.4.19 – Easter Bonnet Parade – details to follow

5.4.19 – school closes for Easter

23.4.19 – school re-opens for summer term

Finally, we said 'au revoir' today to Mrs Bird, as she leaves to start her maternity leave. We wish her well and look forward to meeting her new arrival some time before Easter hopefully! Mrs Farrell has settled well in to the school as her replacement and we look forward to welcoming Mrs Bird back to the school at some time in the Autumn term.

Yours sincerely

Lucy Bates  
Headteacher