

Oaklands Junior School

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Dear Parents/Guardians,

At Oaklands Junior School we are very proud of the level of participation in sports clubs and teams. At the last count, about 73% of children have been involved in at least one club session or team event. The vast majority of these are run voluntarily by teaching staff in their own time. This includes preparing and coordinating letters, kit management, coaching teams and clubs, writing post event reports and ensuring at all times the children in their care are safe.

We also appreciate the tremendous assistance and support given by parents, particularly providing transport to and from events. Recently however, there has been some negative and occasionally abusive comments from some parents at these events. We are only human and sometimes we make mistakes and sometimes the organisers of the events we attend make mistakes!

On behalf of all the staff involved in sport, I would ask that you show understanding and patience if an event or club does not meet your expectations. If you are unhappy, please speak to the teacher discretely at an appropriate time. If you do not feel that your concern has been addressed, please speak to me in my role as PE Subject Leader or one of the Senior Management Team.

Whilst I do not wish to withdraw from inter school competitions or even cancel clubs, I cannot ask my colleagues to continue to give up their own time if these instances continue to occur.

Thank you for your support in this matter.

Yours faithfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "B. Hill", with a horizontal line underneath.

Mr. B. Hill
PE Subject Leader

