

HILLINGDON PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Reminder - to support health and safety in school

Dear Parents and Carers,

A polite reminder that pupils in Year 1 to Year 5 should not bring in *LARGE backpacks to school. This is to remove congestion from the corridors. All schools are conscious of keeping corridors as free as possible so that if we need to evacuate the building then we can move freely and quickly along the corridors.

In the past, pupils have brought in large backpacks that have one pencil case in it. These backpacks then cause congestion whilst the pencil case is taken to the classroom! Therefore, we are requesting that pupils bring in a book bag with their pencil case, reading and homework books. It does not have to be a school book bag. Fortunately, they tend to be cheaper than the latest backpack. The book bag is then stored in pupils' trays so we remove congestion from the corridors.

Pupils who are eating lunch from home should bring it in a lunch bag. *This may be a very small backpack.

Pupils no longer need to bring in their PE kit so there is no need for a bag for PE.

We do understand that on occasions pupils may be carrying in extra resources to school, with the agreement of their teacher, and we can then accommodate a small number of large backpacks.

If you have any queries about this request, please speak with your child's class teacher.

I really appreciate your support in keeping our pupils safe.

Nursery, Reception and Year 6 are able to bring in backpacks as they are in the new building with larger designated cloakrooms.

Best wishes,

Ann Bowen-Breslin



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