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Dear Parent/Carers of classes 3, 4, 5 & 6

### Hockey

During Term 1 we will be teaching 'Quicksticks' hockey skills to the children in Key Stage 2. The children will play hockey using wooden hockey sticks (as opposed to plastic) during their school PE lessons.

As in all hockey training and games, children are required to keep their sticks close to the ground at all times, however, to ensure the safety of all children, it is essential that the children wear their gum shields and we ask that your child brings in their gum shield for PE lessons from 10<sup>th</sup> September. The school will provide shin pads.

If your child does not already have a gum shield you can purchase one from PMG our school uniform suppliers at a cost of £3.99 or from any sports shop. The link to PMG schoolwear is below:-

[https://www.pmg-schoolwear.co.uk/advanced\\_search.php?skl\\_id=6204&pager=view\\_all](https://www.pmg-schoolwear.co.uk/advanced_search.php?skl_id=6204&pager=view_all)

Remember to use the code STMCFEC at checkout for free delivery.

Gum shields need to be moulded to your child's teeth by 'boiling and biting' so you will need to ensure that you have carried this out at home. Please ensure that the box supplied with the shield is named. If your child already has a gum shield it may be worth checking that it still fits snugly to ensure your child can take part fully next week.

Gum shields will need to be taken home following use at school for cleaning.

Unfortunately, children who do not have a gum shield, in a labelled plastic container, will have to work individually or in small groups with a plastic stick.

Whilst giving your children outstanding sports lessons and opportunities to use proper equipment, it is essential to ensure that our children are kept safe so we thank you in advance for your support in this matter.

Yours sincerely

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**P.E Co-ordinator**

