

TIBBERTON CE FIRST SCHOOL HINDLIP CE FIRST SCHOOL

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Dear Parents and Carers,

I am sure that you are aware that we hold regular fire drills to ensure all staff and pupils are aware of safe ways to evacuate the building in the event of a fire alarm. These run smoothly and usually result in a complete evacuation within two minutes. Recently we had a real evacuation at Tibberton which went seamlessly, thanks to regular drills.

<u>Stay Safe Drills</u> are also part of our Health and Safety procedures. On very rare occasions it may be necessary to seal off the school so that it cannot be entered from the outside. This will ensure that pupils, staff and visitors are safe in situations where there is a hazard in the school grounds or in the near vicinity.

Incidents could include:

- Close proximity of a dangerous dog
- Severe weather
- Flooding
- Risk of air pollution / chemical spillage
- Major fire in vicinity
- Major road incident

Drills take place to ensure everyone knows what to do in such a situation and to review practices. The drill will take place at a time agreed by staff within the next few weeks. It will be indicated by continuous ringing of the school bell at Tibberton and the extended blowing of a whistle at Hindlip. Children will calmly make their way to / remain in their classrooms and a register will be taken to ensure everyone is safe. We will discuss the drills with the children before they take place, as we discuss procedures for fire drills.

We are aware that our children are young so the drill will be carried out in a very calm and pre-planned fashion so that we do not cause any distress.

In the unlikely event that we have to put this process into operation, we will ensure that parents are aware of this and of any collection arrangements.

Regards

Mr Gromski

Executive Headteacher





