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Community Defibrillator

Dear Parent/Carer,

As a school we believe that the health and well-being of our pupils, staff and visitors is of paramount importance.

We are on a mission to extend our first aid kit and purchase a lifesaving device – a defibrillator and training package to ensure that, should anyone experience a cardiac arrest, our local community has the equipment and skills to help save a life.

Anyone of any age, health or gender can suffer Sudden Cardiac Arrest (SCA) which is why taking the necessary precautions against this is vital, especially in school, a place where we all think of as safe for your child.

Facts

- ♥ There is rarely any warning that someone is about to suffer a SCA
- ♥ SCA is the most extreme case of emergency, as the patient loses consciousness at once and stops breathing immediately!
- ♥ When someone has a cardiac arrest, every minute without defibrillation reduces their chances of survival by 10%
- ♥ Calling 999 and administering immediate treatment with CPR and a defibrillator before the paramedics arrive, gives the victim the best chance of survival, increasing success rates from 6% to over 74%

We are looking to hold a 'Community Clean Up' fundraising event to help us generate the funds we need and really hope that we can count on your support.

For example, you might choose to donate a small sum e.g. £2 for your child's efforts in the 'clean-up'. If each child in the school managed to make such a donation we would reach our target. If you wished to donate more, and we exceeded our target, then the extra money would be used to support the installation of further defibrillators in the local community.

We would gratefully receive your supporting donations following the 'clean up' activities, at the end of April and the beginning of May.

If you have any business links or ideas to help us, we'd love to hear from you.

Our target for this device will be £ 1000 - can you please help us? Could the company you work for offer a small donation? We would love to add this lifesaving Defibrillator into the community, so any support you can offer, would be most appreciated.

Thank you for your support.

Mr. A Nott
Deputy Headteacher