



# Wantage CE Primary School

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*Aiming for Excellence:  
"Use the gifts God has given you"  
1 Peter 4:10*

9 January 2018

Dear Parent/Carer,

## National Childhood Measuring Programme (NCMP)

### Height and weight checks for children in Reception and Year 6 on Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> January 2018

Every year in England, children in Reception and Year 6 have their height and weight measured as part of the National Child Measurement Programme (NCMP). Your child's class will take part in this year's measurement programme.

The NCMP provides information to help build an understanding of national and local trends in child weight. It is important to have a good understanding of how children are growing, so that the best possible advice and support can be provided for them and their families.

The measurements will be supervised by trained school nursing staff from the School Health Nurse team at school in a private space away from other pupils. Children who take part will be measured fully clothed except for their coats and shoes. Routine data such as your child's name, date of birth, sex, address, postcode and ethnicity will also be collected.

The data from all schools in the area will be gathered together and held securely by our local authority public health team. Please note that we may store your child's information on their health record. No individual measurements will be given to school staff or other children, and all information will be treated confidentially.

The data from the NCMP is used within the local authority and NHS to help plan the provision of services and advice to support healthy weight and lifestyles in the area. The information is also submitted for national analysis and publication in a way that means individual children cannot be identified.

After the measurements, we will send you, your child's results and information on healthy eating, being active and activities in your area. Please do not hesitate to contact the school health team if you have any concerns; we may also contact you to discuss your child's results.

**If you are happy for your child to be weighed and measured, you do not need to do anything.** If you do not want your child to take part, please contact us **as soon as possible** to discuss your concerns. Your contact is **Lesley Tilbury on 07879412459** from the School Health Nurse Team.

Yours faithfully

Head teacher, on behalf of

Pauline Nicklin, Head of Service, Children and Young People Services, Oxford Health NHS Foundation Trust and Dr Jonathan McWilliam, Director of Public Health, Oxfordshire County Council