Our Children’s Playground Needs Maintenance

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

A recent review of our school playground has shown an immediate need for some maintenance and improvement. There are parts of the soccer field often out of use because the deterioration of the surface, the sand pit is surrounded by dirt and the ‘forest’ area needs to be carefully supervised as the barriers have rotted.

Our P&C and Mrs Browne have planned a number of projects to make the playground more interesting. These projects will be able to begin once our school yard is made more secure. A secure fence is at present being erected.

There are plans for a ‘modern fort’ with shelter, maintenance to paths and improvement to some grassy areas.

As part of a grounds improvement program, I am looking for some parents/caregivers who are able to lend support. (And community groups) Assistance for these projects is important as we move forward and engage you, our community in our school. From my experience as a parent at York PS and Werrington County PS, your children benefit greatly by contributions that improve the physical nature of the school. Improvements made by parents and caregivers.

1. **Along the ‘forest area’ in the playground it is hoped that a barrier/kopper fence be erected.** I need help with a machine that could scrape over the surface along the tree line. An amount of topsoil could be spread and grass that will grow in shade can be planted. The soccer field/ cricket field would double in size. A machine to dig post holes is needed for the fence.
2. Around the ‘sand pit’ a deck is planned so children are not sitting in dirt as they use the sand pit. Later shade will be erected in this area.
3. **Modern playground equipment** is to be built. If any community members have contacts with companies that supply quality, school-safe play equipment; we would like to discuss plans with potential groups to make savings.

Finally, making the playground interesting and safe is to benefit all our children. If you can help please complete the attached form or contact Mrs Browne or Mr J Lister at school.

Yours Sincerely

[Signature]

Mr John Lister
Assistant Principal

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Mrs Kathy Browne
Principal

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**PLAYGROUND MAINTENANCE**

I am able to help with project

1. a. **Machine for top soiling and levelling surface.**
   b. **Post hole digger for ‘forest area’ fence.**

2. a. **Materials for decking.**
   b. **Building of decking.**

3. **Modern playground equipment costs.**

Name........................................ Child’s name and class...........................................................

Signed................................. Contact no:............................ Dated.................................