



# Safe play reminders Feb 23

Cramond Our Place Feb 23



**Our Place:** a community play area open to all.  
This is OUR PLACE – funded & maintained by CPSC.

- We are SO lucky to have the best natural playground
- We have to LOOK AFTER IT.
- We have to respect each other.
- We must play safely & kindly always.
- If we come after school – same rules apply!



# Mud – not so glorious mud!



- Please WIPE shoes as much as possible or change your shoes
- Shoes MUST be worn at all times in school in event of fire.
- Suggest you bring in jogging trousers or similar to pull over shorts for outside play on pitch.
- If PITCH is closed it is for safety reasons: too slippery (mud or ice)

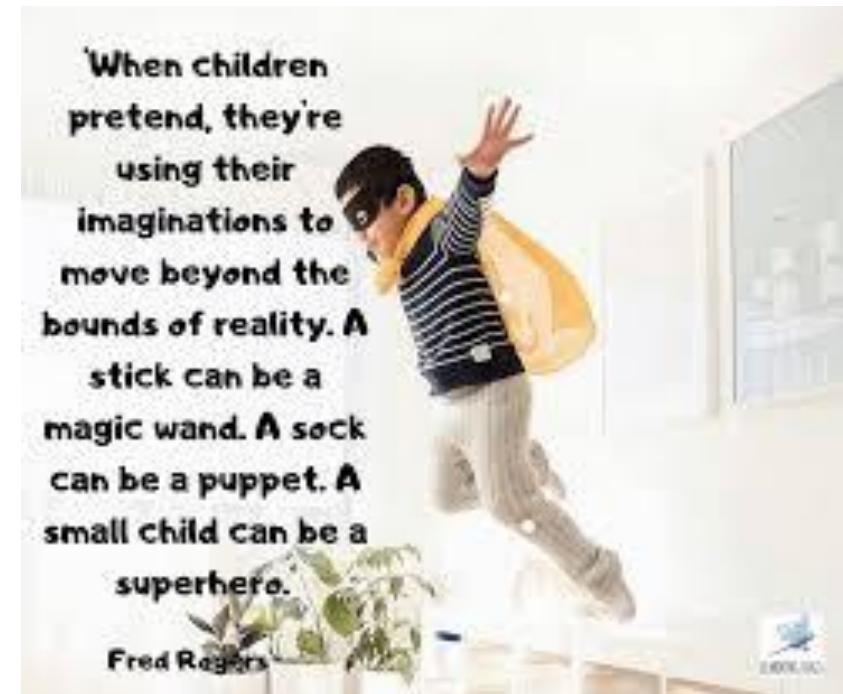
# Windy or Stormy weather stops play outside



- No such thing as BAD weather – simply BAD clothing choices.
- For SAFETY reason it is indoor break if extremely windy, icy or storms such as thunder.
- Rain is part of Scottish life – bring (and wear) a coat. Ensure you take coat outside each day.
- Hats and gloves are a good idea!
- Having outdoor shoes to change into helps keep you (and school) clean

# Play we encourage

- Friendship & fun. Safety first!
- Games that involve and include all. Invite others to join in.
- Be creative – explore, imagine
- Marbles, elastics, clapping..
- As a class and at home with family: find out more about traditional playground games to try out over breaks.
- Use energy and build stamina.





# Play we do not permit

- Unkind words or actions
- Mean behaviour eg leaving people out, being hurtful
- Using hands or feet to hurt others – tripping, pushing, shoving, hitting etc etc
- Unsafe play – too fast, too rough
- Sit to slide down our slide – do NOT sit on jacket as this creates unsafe speeds for safe landing.



# Football – yellow and red cards

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- Daily Football is not a cup final no bad tackles or rough play
- If you cannot control yourself then you are not allowed to play.
- Take care accessing pitch – don't rush at top of steps or on rocks
- Be aware of tree saplings.
- If pitch is closed – football is too
- No ball games on netball court







# Wildlife garden – calm & quiet play zone

- As Spring approaches we are opening up the wildlife garden
- Respect nature and space
- Explore, imagine, create
- Not for running /chasing games
- Take a book or draw, sit and chat
- Act, dance on stage area
- Stay out of pond area
- No climbing trees





# Bikes and scooter area



- Out of bounds for safety reasons
- Only use to pass through
- Do not touch bikes or scooters even if they are your own
- Push bikes or scooters to school gates before using. Be safe.
- Helmets should be worn
- Be aware of pedestrians & prams.

# Sand play – creation station

- New sand has been ordered!
- Bring in / look after / share pots, pans, baking trays, spoons, spades & buckets.
- Make sand castles, cakes, pies
- Build bridges, tunnels, buildings
- Use shells, stones, leaves etc
- Play together – pretend to be running a café or making a city





# Netball court, Stage area & Slide

- Play together
- Be safe – only go down slide
- No pushing or climbing up
- On stage area you can sit, perform, create, balance, rest
- Playground games
- Clapping & skipping rhymes
- Elastics, marbles...



# Climbing, jumping, moving

- New stones coming to make it deeper and safe to play on.
- Up only – no rushing or pushing
- No jumping other than on the jump area – check it is clear
- Cargo net up only
- Climbing ramp up only
- Rope bridge – one at a time to cross – no hanging off or chasing





# Travelling on tyre wall, climbing holds & rocks

- Take your time, it may be slippery
- This is great for your balance, strength and fitness – it is fun!
- If too icy or slippery the area(s) may be shut. Follow the red flags!
- Rocks are fine to clamber on but not to be chased over!
- Important that play items such as pots are kept out of landing areas on gravel for safety reasons.



# Switch back ramp area under development



- With the logs starting to deteriorate, this area is being revamped.
- The steps to/from the top of garden to P1 P4 doors are too
- Garden area for supervised clubs
- No access to nursery butterfly garden at any time.
- Willow has been cut back!