## **UPLAND** Primary School

'Working Together, Learning Together, Achieving Together'





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Territorial Policing

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Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> December 2016

Dear Parents / Carers of Year 6,

Whilst organising Jobs Week, the school forged a very good relationship with the local policing team. They attended the assembly and worked with years 5 and 6. As a result of further discussion, the Safer Schools Team have agreed to run a Junior Volunteer Police Cadets Unit at our school. This is a wonderful opportunity for our year 6 pupils and has the potential to lead to further prospects when they leave primary school.

The Junior Voluntary Police Cadets is aimed at young people aged 10 - 13 years old and is a programme designed to teach life skills, social responsibility and to help build positive relationships with the Police.

The programme is led by a Cadet Leader who has been coached and trained in mentoring and leadership to provide positive role models to their younger peers.

Police Cadets have become an integral part of the Met family and Bexley Police would like to build upon their success and involve more young people in the programme.

The programme will be led by the Cadet Coordinator and Safer Schools Police Officers at the school. In addition to this, a member of school staff will also be part of the team. The Junior Cadet Unit will meet every Monday during term time (spring and summer term) from 3.20pm to 4.30 pm starting from Monday 9<sup>th</sup> January 2017. Each session will involve learning about police powers and procedures, as well as participating in drill, and on occasions a sports activity. There will be a charge for this club of £5 per term in order to cover some additional costs that include treat, incentives and rewards.

Parents need to complete sections 1, 2, give consent and answer the equal opportunities questions in the application pack. Children need to complete Section 3. Please note the application packs have only been given to those children who were interested when spoken to. If on further discussion with your child they would like to take part, please ask them to get a pack from myself as soon as possible.

If your child is in year 6 and they wish to apply please complete the attached form together and return to me by **Wednesday the 14th December**. As there are only 25 spaces available, places will be allocated to children on a first come first served basis. Please include the £5 charge for the club.

Yours sincerely

Mrs B McKenzie PC 512RY Andy Hammonds

Deputy Head Teacher Safer Schools Officer Erith