

23<sup>rd</sup> March 2023

**Clothing Collection** with Rags 2 Riches 4 Schools Headteacher: Mrs Joanne Andrews



Dear Parents & carers,

We have signed up to the Rags2Riches4Schools recycling scheme, to help others around the world benefit from our good quality unwanted clothes and shoes. Parkland PTA will get 40p for every kilo we collect of reusable items and would be most grateful if you could help us with this challenge at home. Donated clothes and accessories are sent to Europe, Africa and even further away and are sold at market stalls as affordable items for those in real need of clothing. If we can fill 100 bags we'll have half a tonne!

We want to stop clothes going to landfill. The clothing that ends up in landfill can sit there for 200plus years, and as it decomposes, it emits methane—a greenhouse gas more potent than carbon. Our pupils have been working towards decreasing the amount of clothing sent to landfill.

## Clean and reusable items that can be donated:

Good quality clothes and accessories. Adults, children's and babies clothing such as jackets, jumpers, hoodies, trousers, skirts, scarves, gloves, belts, handbags, paired shoes and other footwear etc.

## They cannot reuse the following items:

Worn out shoes or clothes, clothes that are wet or have holes in. Curtains, pillows or duvets, bric-a-brac or books. Personalised items. Work uniform, School uniform or school sports kit

## If you are unsure what to put in the bags, then **STOP AND THINK**

## WOULD SOMEONE ELSE BUY & WEAR IT?

If it isn't something you'd wear out and about yourself or pass to a friend, then no-one else will want to buy and wear it, so unfortunately, it's not reusable and can't go in the bag.

We will provide a bag, but you may use any bag you have. The clothes will be collected on 17<sup>th</sup> May 2023.

Please bring all bags to school on <u>Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> May 2023</u> (not before as we cannot store them).

Yours sincerely

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