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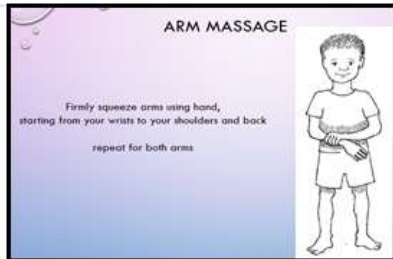
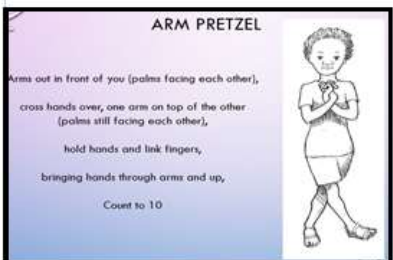
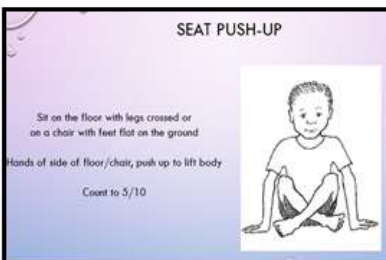

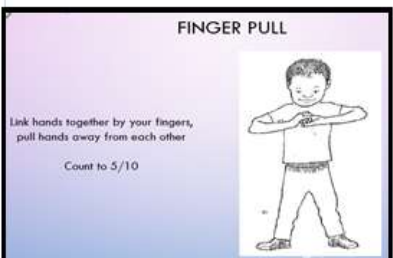

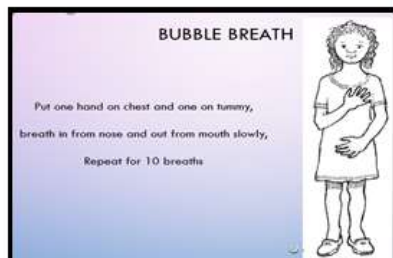
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Dear Parents/Carers,

Re: Reminder – Prohibition against children bringing toys into school

We have noticed that an increasing number of children are bringing toys and fidget objects into school.

For children in the Early Years and Key Stage 1, learning through play is foundational and of great importance. Our classrooms are well equipped to support this element of our children's learning. We also have plenty of equipment available for all children to play with during break and lunchtimes. In all classes across the school, adults effectively use movement breaks, to appropriately support children when they need sensory input. The slides below offer information and examples of some of the movement breaks and sensory stimulation, we offer in class.

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Children are not permitted to bring toys or fidget objects into school for the following reasons:

- If their toys get lost, broken or stolen, it can be very upsetting for children
- Toys in school can lead to conflict between children, for example sometimes children will swap toys without thinking carefully, and later change their mind resulting in disagreements
- Having toys in their pockets during lesson time can distract children and result in them finding their learning more challenging

As stated in our [GHF Behaviour Policy](#), toys brought into school will be confiscated and returned to children, at the end of the day.

Thank you in advance, we very much appreciate your support with this.

Kind regards
Mr J Muhammad
Headteacher