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Dear Parents and Carers,

We have recently installed a new piece of play equipment in the infant playground. The 'Jungle Climber' has proved a real hit with the children and it has been lovely to see how much joy it has brought them this week.

The equipment is designed for 4–11-year-olds and it has been bought to predominantly enhance playtime provision for Years 1 and 2 who use the yard most regularly. That said, other year groups do have opportunities to access it at lunchtime on a rota basis.



Sadly, we couldn't afford one big enough to fit the whole school on at once but at times this week it seems like the children have had a good go! As a result, it has felt a little overcrowded at times.

In order to keep everyone safe we have shared a few reminders with the children and I wanted to make you aware of some of them too.

**Please remember....**

- Any child on the Jungle Climber or Trim Trail before or after school must be supervised by a parent/carer
- Children in years 3-6 should wait on the top yard in the morning until the bell sounds and the doors open at 8:45am (i.e. not on the Jungle Climber)
- Children in years 1 and 2 can wait on the lower yard outside their classrooms and use the equipment if their parent/carer is there to supervise them and has given permission
- No ball games on the yard before or after school

**One final thought....**as a child, I paddled in the beck, climbed trees, explored the woods, kicked anything resembling a football and rode my bike everywhere. There was always an element of risk in my play. I am sure many of you remember those days fondly too. We aim to ensure that the enhancements we make to our play spaces encourage positive risk taking, physical play and problem solving in a safe way. Accidents can happen but we will always do what we can to prevent them or deal with them in a careful and caring manner if they occur.

Thank you for your continued support and understanding.

Kind regards,

Mr Armstrong  
Headteacher

