



# Warren Park Primary School

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Dear Parents/Carers,

We have recently received information from Hampshire County Council about the potential risks associated with the underage use of vapes (also known as e-cigarettes). Please see the school website ([Cosmic Curriculum/Parent Resources](#)) for information to help you fully understand the impact of vaping. It explains the health risks to children and young people, the law regarding the use of vapes, as well as the environmental impact - especially of disposable vapes.

Please read following from Hampshire County Council.

## **Vaping among children and young people - Public Health Information**

The County Council is tackling the underage sale of vapes and illegal vapes through Hampshire Trading Standards. If you need to report information concerning vapes to Trading Standards, please visit Hampshire Trading Standards and use the 24/7 regional reporting facility listed under 'Tobacco and Vapes'.

While it is important to understand the risk of vaping in children and young people, vapes can, however, be a good quit aid for adults who currently smoke, and we continue to support people to quit smoking through our stop smoking service Smokefree Hampshire.

Lastly, I welcome the measures outlined by the Prime Minister on 4 October, for a smokefree generation, including restricting disposable vapes and regulating flavours and packaging, to reduce their appeal to children. Furthermore, to reduce smoking uptake, the government has set out to introduce a new law to stop the sale of tobacco products to anyone born on or after 1 January 2009 – this has the potential to phase out smoking in young people, almost completely, as early as 2040.

Yours sincerely,

Simon Bryant FFPH

Director of Public Health Hampshire County Council

Within the COSMIC curriculum theme Health and Wellbeing, we cover age appropriate content about smoking and vaping in Key Stage 2, but we feel it is important that all parents are fully aware of the risks with vaping.

Many thanks,

COSMIC Team

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