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Dear Parents/Carers

I am delighted to let you know that Barkisland School is taking part in the **SuperKind Social Impact Schools Award** to formally recognise and celebrate the amazing social actions that our pupils undertake. We know that by getting involved in things like volunteering, campaigning and fundraising, children are growing themselves while also benefiting the world around them. Through kindness, thoughtfulness, generosity and empathy we can all make the world a better place – the **SuperKind** programme encourages and supports us in doing this.

Through the **SuperKind** initiative we will be celebrating individual and group contributions to social action. When every pupil in school takes part, Barkisland School achieves the Social Impact Schools Award and celebrates being one of the kindest schools in Britain.

SuperKind was launched in collective worship this week and the pupils are raring to go - they already have lots of ideas about the amazing social actions that they'd like to take and some have even started already!

Fundraising such as for Children In Need will be organised in school and donations from pupils will count towards the award. But social action doesn't stop at the school gates. We would like you to also encourage your children to think of ways that they can take social action when they are at home. Examples include: picking up litter, pledging to walk instead of driving, organising a charity bake sale, encouraging others to recycle, the list goes on.

To make sure no good deed goes unnoticed, we are creating an account on our **SuperKind** page for each child, from Reception to Year 6. Through this account, children can log their social actions and earn badges. There are 12 different badges to earn and for each one there is bronze, silver and gold. For example, the first time a pupil volunteers, they can claim the bronze Volunteering badge. If they volunteer again, they can claim the silver badge, and a third time it's gold. Your child can claim their badges and see how they're doing at home, and we can also do this in school. Our change-makers will be celebrated in many ways, including in celebration assemblies, in class, on social media and on our **SuperKind** display.

Over the next week you will receive an email link to the **SuperKind** page. Once verified by you, children can then log into their account using their own username and password (if you do not wish your child to use their account at home, please just ignore the email and the account will be managed within school). On the SuperKind.Org website you can find lots of information, resources, videos and templates to educate, inspire and empower the next generation of change-makers.

We hope you will support your children and our school in making the world a better place.

Thank you

Mrs Becky Schofield
Headteacher



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May he give you the desire of your heart and make all your plans succeed Psalm 20:4

