

Dear Head Teacher

**Joy of Moving Home School Festival – 18<sup>th</sup> to 22<sup>nd</sup> May**

MFC Foundation is working in partnership with the EFL Trust to deliver a national initiative called the Joy of Moving Home School Festival. Your school could be part of one of the biggest ever national initiatives of its kind this May. There are likely to be hundreds of thousands of children taking part.

The Festival consists of a half day (afternoon) timetable of activities for children in Key Stage 2 on the theme of the Joy of Moving. This will be available in a digital pack to send to parents either by email or by post (if you are able to print hard copies for families without access to IT). The Joy of Moving games and activities are designed to inspire active lifestyles in children, aiming to teach children how to enjoy moving through play, and to help them develop positive habits for adulthood.

Over 310,000 children have taken part in UK schools in the last six years. In these unique times, the Home School Festival could reach even more. The Joy of Moving programme is funded by Ferrero UK. This has been designed to be very light touch and to demand very little of your reduced capacity. You simply need you to agree to take part and to pass the resources we give you to children via your current communication routes. If you have children still attending school they can join in the fun too.

The launch to encourage families to get involved will be on our social channels on Friday 15 May – the United Nations International Day of Families.

**Activities will then take place during the week commencing Monday 18 May** and you will be able to choose which day children take part.

It will be very easy for you to be part of the ‘Joy of Moving Home School Festival’.

Step 1 – You will need to confirm your intention to take part and to create space in your home-school ‘timetable’ for one afternoon during the Joy of Moving Home School Festival week.

Step 2 – We will send you a fun and engaging work pack as a digital file\* for you to send to parents (w/c 11 May).

Step 3 – Your children (and hopefully their families) will take part in Joy of Moving Home School Festival (w/c 18 May).

\*Schools may need to print and post the pack to some children who do not have access to IT.

As part of the event, families will be encouraged to post social media content during the week. This will all be captured at [www.joyofmovingresourcehub.co.uk](http://www.joyofmovingresourcehub.co.uk)

All we require in return is for you to report to us the total number of KS2 children in your school that have been given the chance to take part.

We would also like the school to post on social media on the day you take part. We will give you the official hashtags to use. We will also ask you for a short testimonial as well.

Please confirm your involvement to us by May 15th to [paul.south@mfcfoundation.co.uk](mailto:paul.south@mfcfoundation.co.uk)