



Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope that this newsletter finds you well.

Eid Mubarak

I would like to wish all our families who have been celebrating Eid this week 'Eid Mubarak.' I hope that you have all had a wonderful time celebrating at this special time.



Year 5

If your child is considering attending grammar school for their secondary education they will be expected to sit a test beforehand as part of the selection process. Registering for the test is now open but normally closes towards the end of June and you will not be able to register your child for tests after this date. If this is something you are considering, I advise you to look at the websites for the individual schools to find out more information. As a school we will arrange a meeting in September to explain the application process for secondary schools and will support families in completing forms if required.

Attendance

We have been informed by The Department for Education and the Local Authority that as of April 19th the Fast Track on Attendance has been reinstated. Prior to this date the government had announced that no parent would be penalised or sanctioned for their child's lack of attendance because of Covid-19. The circumstances have now changed and the usual rules around attendance once again apply, including:

- parents' duty to send their child to school regularly where they are of compulsory school age
- schools' responsibility to record attendance and follow up absence
- the availability of local authorities to use legal sanctions, including penalty notices and prosecution in court

If you are worried about your child attending school, the first port of call is to discuss your concerns with school directly.

Please avoid booking a holiday in term time as it is unlikely that any leave will be authorised after so much enforced absence from school.

Inconsiderate Parking

I have again had concerned parents and members of the local community raise their concerns about inconsiderate and dangerous parking, this time on Lindridge Road. I have passed on, as I know at least one parent has, the registration plate numbers of identified vehicles. I have also informed them of the alleged abuse levelled at a member of the local community by a parent picking up a child from school.

CPG Learning Materials

We have been delighted by the reaction of parents to the sets of six CPG books that we have purchased for every pupil in school from Year 1 to Year 6. A number of parents have said that they appreciate this gesture and that it will be beneficial to them when supporting childrens' learning at home.

I wish you all a happy, safe and peaceful weekend.

Mr. J Cusack

Head Teacher