



Dear Parents/Guardians

6 March 2018
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Forthcoming Events

5M's class assembly will be take place on Wednesday 7 March 2018

A reminder that parents/guardians of pupils in 5M are invited to attend their class assembly tomorrow at 9.05 am. The assembly will last approximately 40 minutes. We look forward to seeing as many of you as possible, however, we appreciate that some parents/guardians may not be able to attend due to family and work commitments.

For information, 3E's class assembly will take place on Wednesday 14 March 2018

Year 4 and 5 After School Netball – Tuesdays – organised by Miss Jackson

We confirm that anyone who has returned their consent slip for this after school club has been given a place. The sessions commence tonight until Tuesday 27 March 2018. Anyone who has sent in their consent slip needs to pay via ParentPay. Miss Jackson is aware that some children attend another netball club on a Tuesday and therefore are unable to attend Miss Jackson's group. If this is the case, please discuss with Miss Jackson as she is looking into the possibility of changing the day of her club after Easter.

General Information

Community Police Team Support with Parking Issues

We have been contacted by a member of the Community Police Team who are working in the local area to monitor parking issues. They will be liaising with both the school and the local community to ensure that we all work together to improve parking outside the school. We continue to ask our parents/guardians to park considerately and safely when dropping off or collecting their child from school. However, we have also been advised by the Community Police that 'dangerous parking' can result in 3 penalty points and £100 fine. We shall put the Birmingham City Council "Don't Plonk It, Park It!" leaflet on our school website.

£1 Book Vouchers

Your child will receive their £1 book voucher this week, which can be used to put towards the purchase of a book at any participating books shops or can be used at the school's travelling book fair which will take place week commencing Monday 19 March 2018.

Year 6 Leavers – Hoodies

Letters have been sent out to all children in year 6 regarding the above. Included in the letter is a slip which asks you to opt out of your child's name being printed on the hoodie. If you have not received a copy of the letter, please contact the school office asap.

School Meals – Feb to March 2018 half term

A reminder that dinner money should be paid for in advance of your child receiving a school meal. The cost per week is £11.25 payable via ParentPay. If your child has school meals every day, the cost for this half term is £54.

Parent Questionnaire

Thank you to everyone who has sent back their Parent Questionnaire. The results will be circulated shortly.

Attendance for last week

The winners of our weekly Head Teacher's certificate for the best attendance week ending 2 March 2018 is class 6H. Whole School Attendance for week ending 2/3/2018 was 97.88%.

Guitar Lessons with Mrs Robinson

Mrs Robinson has a vacancy for an after school place at 4.30 pm. Please contact her direct on 07932395158 for more information

Busy Bodies News – Important Information

Please be aware that the March booking form is now overdue. Should you require any sessions for this month please ensure you hand in your booking form and fees. If you do not require any bookings, please inform a member of staff.

There are currently over 40 booking forms stills outstanding. Unfortunately, we will not be able to provide care for these children without our form and fees, as we have to staff for the amount children we are expecting. Please also ensure that all monies are paid to cover the balance on your child's Parentpay account and that you pay the accurate amount for your monthly fee.

PTA

The Elfridges store will be opening its doors this Friday (9 March) for Mother's Day gifts. Presents will be wrapped and children will write their own labels to bring home ready for the special day. Pay for gifts online at <https://goo.gl/cP86MN>

Deadline to buy presents is Thursday 8 March 2018. A few parents are wrapping all the gifts on Wednesday 7 March after morning drop off. Please come and join us in the training room with your scissors and sellotape. We have tea, coffee and a good giggle. Then we are asking for volunteers to help in the Elfridges shop. This is for a couple of hours on Friday 9 March straight after drop off. It's more the merrier so come and join in the fun.

Community News

Open Morning – Saturday 17 March from 10 am to 12.30 pm – King Edward's School, Edgbaston Park Road. For further details regarding this open morning and other details regarding the open morning, open evenings and Assisted Places scheme, contact King Edward's School direct on outreach@kes.org.uk or their website on www.kes.org.uk/scholarships-and-assisted-places or contact on 0121 415 6056.

CHANCE Group Meeting

This month's meeting is Thursday 15th March in St Michael's Church Hall,

9.00-10.15am (note earlier finishing time) It is an opportunity for parents and carers of children with additional, physical, emotional and/or developmental needs to meet over a drink to share their experiences and support one another within the local community of Boldmere. For further information contact Jeanette Nicholls Children's and Families' Missioner, mobile number- 07492474472

Parent's Wellbeing Programme

This is a six week course to support parents in maintaining their own wellbeing when they raising a child/children with additional needs. It is being offered free of charge by the Weaver and Young Foundation as a result of their receiving Lottery Funding. There are a number of places still available for anyone who can attend the six sessions on Thursday evenings 7.00-9.30pm (includes a 30 minute refreshment break) in the community room, The Harvester, Boldmere Road. The dates are as follows- 19th April, 3rd May, 17th May, 7th June, 21st June, 5th July. Please contact Jeanette Nicholls to book places (mobile – 07492474472, jeanette.cfm@gmail.com)

Invitation to Free Open Lectures and Activities at the University of Birmingham – Celebrate Brain Awareness Week (GET CONNECTED) – 12 to 15 March 2018 and Digital Art Exhibition on 18 March 2018 from 11 am to 4 pm.

Free open lectures, films and activities at the University of Birmingham Medical School
The lectures and films are appropriate for adults. The Sunday activity is appropriate for children above 3 years old, adults, families and science teachers.

All students, parents and Staff are welcome. For full details of the events, please contact the school office.

Yours sincerely

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Head of School