



Dear Parents/Guardians

13 March 2018
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School Absence/Safeguarding

As part of our morning registration process, we contact the parents/guardians of any child who is absent from school and for whom we have not received a reason for that absence. Therefore, it is essential that the contact details we have for parents/guardians, are both up to date and accessible. *If we are unable to contact any authorised adult, this becomes a safeguarding issue and may result in us escalating the situation.*

Please ensure that you contact the school office on the first day of your child's absence to provide the school with a reason. If you do not, we will contact you/other authorised contacts, to leave a message on the home/mobile number. If this happens, please ensure you return the call as soon as possible.

If you know your child is going to be late into school, please ensure you send a note to your child's class teacher/school office beforehand. If you will be collecting your child early from school, please also ensure that you have put this in writing in advance. Where possible, it is preferable that any medical appointments are arranged for after school or over the school holidays, although we appreciate this may not always be possible. Any child missing morning or afternoon registration for a medical appointment, will receive an authorised 'M' for medical mark.

Forthcoming Events

3E class assembly will be take place on Wednesday 14 March 2018

A reminder that parents/guardians of pupils in 3E 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.

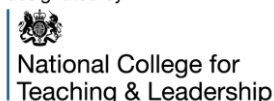
Travelling Book Fair at Junior School – Tues 20 to Friday 23 March 2018

Next week (TUESDAY TO FRIDAY), the travelling book fair will be visiting the junior school. Parents/guardians may come into the school from 3.45 pm to 4.15 pm. It will take place in the main hall. Remember, you are able to use the £1 book vouchers against any books on sale. A booklet advertising this event and some of the books available, will be circulated today.

Sports Relief Day – Friday 23 March 2018

We will be celebrating Sports Relief on Friday 23 March 2018 in school. We will be asking the children to dress up as their favourite sports personality or just wear their own sports kit in school on that day and bring with them a £1 donation towards this charity. We thank you in anticipation of your support.

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This school is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and expects all staff and volunteers to share this commitment

School Meal Celebration Days

The kitchen staff are offering children who usually have sandwiches the opportunity to have a celebration meal next week. One meal will be celebrating Easter and one celebrating Sports Relief:

Easter celebration meal: will take place on **Wednesday 21 March 2018** and the menu will consist of: **Traditional Roast Turkey with sumptuous stuffing, 'Eggstra' Special Omelette, Lovingly Lemon Sole, served with springtime cabbage, ray of sunshine sweetcorn, crunchy carrot patch and 'eggcellent' roast potatoes. Puddings will include a delightful lemon sponge and yummy chocolate easter nests.**

Sports Relief Day meal: will take place on **Thursday 22 March 2018** and the menu will consist of: **Lewis Hamilton's Quorn Hot Dogs, Usain Bolt's Beef Burgers, Daly Thompson's Dippers, served with shooting sweetcorn, boxing baked beans and Wiggin's wedges. Puddings will include Mo Farah's sweet iced finer rolls and freestyle fruit salad.**

Please note that the above menus may be subject to change due to supplier availability.

If your child usually has sandwiches and you would like them to have either or both of the above meals, please fill in the slip below and return it to the school office and make your payment of £2.25 per meal on ParentPay by **Friday 16 March 2018**

France Trip – 2018

We are asking that parents/guardians check their ParentPay account to be sure they are up to date with their France payments. The total amount for this trip is £435.00. Everyone has paid their £100 deposit. However, we do have some parents who have not paid their £50 retainer, which was due on 8 February 2018. We have sent reminder letters to those parents. Also, we take this opportunity to remind parents that the payment in March of £100 is also due (8 March 2018). Everyone should have paid a minimum of £250 at this stage, leaving a balance of £185 to pay by May 2018. Please do not hesitate to contact the school office for clarification or if you wish to discuss further.

Internet Safety Workshop – Wednesday 18 April 2018 at 2 pm

A reminder that another workshop is being offered by Tracy Baker, PCSO on 18 April at 2 pm at the infant school for any parents/guardians wishing to attend.

General Information

Parent Questionnaire

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

A reminder regarding PE/Games Kit and Water Bottles

Please ensure your child has their **PE kit/Games kit** in school each week. Please also ensure that your child brings into school a **water bottle**, which may be refilled if required. We take this opportunity to remind you that all items of clothing (**school uniform, school coat,**

PE/Games Kit, shoes, water bottles, lunch boxes etc.) should be named. We have a number of items in lost property that are unnamed. Please call into school at the end of the school day if you wish to check our lost property. **After Easter, any unclaimed items will be sent to the charity shop.**

Attendance for last week

The winners of our weekly Head Teacher's certificate for the best attendance week ending 9 March 2018 are classes 6U and 4B. Whole School Attendance for week ending 9/3/2018 was 97.63%.

Busy Bodies News – Important Information

Please be aware that the April Booking form is now available to collect from the Busy Bodies desk and will shortly be added to the School's website. The April form is due in for **Friday 23rd March.** If we do not receive your booking form, we will not be able to collect your children. Please inform a staff member if you do not require sessions for the last week of March and the month of April.

It is also time to update your contact details. Please complete and return this with your monthly booking form, which you will have collected from the Busy Bodies desk or download from the school website (under Busy Bodies). It is very important that you return this to us, so we can contact you in an emergency.

Thank you.

PTA

Thank you so much for everybody that brought Mother's Day Elfridge's gifts. We hope you all enjoyed your presents. Remember we open the store for all special events diary so look out for the announcements. Next one will be Fathers' day in June.

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 well being 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)

Yours sincerely

Mrs N Silverwood
Head of School

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Celebration Meals – Order Form

Name of my child Class

My child usually has sandwiches and would like to have a school meal on **Wednesday 21 March 2018 (Easter Roast Eggstravaganza)**

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My child usually has sandwiches and would like to have a school meal on **Thursday 22 Mach 2018 (Sports Relief Day meal)**

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I confirm I have made my payment of £2.25 per meal on ParentPay

All **order forms** should be returned to the school office and **payment made on ParentPay** by **Friday 16 March 2018**