



Monday 22nd October 2018

Dear Parents,

In order to continue to support all of our parents and after listening to many views and opinions, the school is making a number of changes to the way that we communicate to our parents and wider community.

The most significant change that we are planning to introduce is that from Friday 8th November 2018, the school will begin emailing parents with a copy of the weekly newsletter. The reason for this decision is due to a number of factors. The first being that at the end of each week, we find that a significant number of these newsletters are not taken home by the children and are often left on desks, in drawers or in cloak rooms, despite regular reminders. As you can appreciate, the cost of photocopying wasted letters is significant and therefore, by adopting the email approach, we will reduce these costs. Additionally, the school is looking to promote our eco-friendly status and reducing the amount of paper will make significant progress towards this national award which Miss Barnard and the Eco-Ambassadors are working towards. Should you find that the emails and website are difficult to access then please note that the school office will have paper copies of the weekly newsletter should you still wish to collect one.

Other, whole school letters will also be emailed to parents from week beginning Monday 12th November. However, we do appreciate that not all parents use emails or have regular access to the internet. Therefore, please can I ask that all parents and carers who would still prefer to receive paper copies of letters, contact the school office to express this.

However, we have made the decision to continue to provide paper copies of letters where parents will be required to complete a reply slip. After listening to parental views, we recognise that many of you do not have access to a printer and therefore a number of our families would find it inconvenient to print off your own reply slip. Reply slips are usually included on sporting fixture letters, school trips and visits communication and generally where your permission needs to be obtained for other aspects of school.

We aim to continue to utilise all of our successful forms of communication, inclusive of texts, the school website and of course Twitter. The feedback we received from all parents, who spoke to Governors at our recent Parent's Evening, regarding our communication was extremely positive and we are very appreciative of your comments.

We hope that you will find these small changes as beneficial to you as they certainly will be to the environment. Please remember that should you wish to continue to receive all paper copies then do share this preference as soon as you possibly can.

Yours sincerely

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