

12 January 2018

Dear Parents

Thank you to those parents who came along to our Coffee Morning yesterday. It was lovely to see so many of you in attendance and we look forward to seeing you next time, which will be Thursday 22 February. All parents are welcome at any of our coffee mornings, dates of which are available on the school website.

A number of girls have brought in gifts which they received at Christmas, as they are keen to show these to their friends. We would prefer that the girls do not bring in any items which are not required for school and keep them at home – particularly slime!

@bowdonprep is now live on Twitter. Please follow us and keep an eye on our tweets throughout the school day.

In assembly, the girls are reminded that they must not play on the playground equipment before and after school. However, some girls are receiving a mixed message on this subject, as parents are allowing their daughters to use the equipment during these times. Furthermore, parents are allowing siblings on the equipment. May I remind you that the equipment is not to be used at all before and after school.

When you arrive to collect your daughter, please remember that lessons are continuing until 3.45pm. Please supervise any children who may be with you in order to minimise distractions for our pupils and staff. Many thanks.

It has been noticed that a number of parents arrive early when bringing their daughter to school for 8.40am, so they can park as close as possible. This makes parking very difficult for other parents arriving to drop off their children for Activate or 8.20am clubs. More importantly, the early parents often sit with their engines running for a long period of time, which is bad for the air quality around the school and the health of us all. Please consider the environment and others by switching off your car engine and moving on as quickly as possible.

School Car Park



As you are aware, the school operates a one way system in the school car park. To ensure your safety, we inform parents of this in order for them to be aware of which direction vehicles will be travelling in the car park.

This photograph is of the entrance. It states the car park is available to staff and delivery vehicles only (for health and safety reasons). This applies at all times and we would appreciate it if **all** parents could adhere to this rule. Thank you for your cooperation.

Staff and Parents' Book Club

This week we enjoyed discussing a range of books which we had read over the Christmas holidays including crime fiction, historical novels and true stories; we now have a list of recommendations for our New Year reading resolutions. If you would like any suggestions for yourselves, please ask and we will forward our list. We have postponed our discussions about "The Other Hoffman Sister" by Ben Ferguson until our next meeting on Wednesday 7 February at 4pm in the library. Please join us then for a warm welcome, tea, coffee, cake and conversation.

Year 5 School Options meeting with Past Pupils

As well as our Year 5 girls and their parents, we will be welcoming some of our past pupils into school on Monday evening to discuss their own experiences of moving on to secondary school. This is a very important meeting for Year 5 girls and parents and I look forward to seeing you at school at 7pm.

Bag2School

The Bag2School collection van will be here on Wednesday. Could you please leave your bags of unwanted clothes in the school car park, underneath the prep gym windows when you drop off your daughter at school. Many thanks in advance for your contributions.

Reception – Open Classroom

At drop off on Friday, parents of our Reception children are welcome to come into school with their daughters to look round the classroom and see the work on display. Please note that in order for the girls to settle into the routine of the day, we must insist that all parents leave by 9.30am.

Netball

On Monday, Year 5A team will play a home game against Stamford Park School. Good luck to this team as well as Year 6A and B teams, who will play at home against Brooklands Primary School on Tuesday.

Verbal Reasoning

Write the next two items in each sequence. Use the alphabet to help you.

Example AB CD EF GH IJ KL

A B C D E F G H I J K L M N O P Q R S T U V W X Y Z

C	F	I	L	_____	_____
BC	EF	HI	KL	_____	_____
CDE	GHI	KLM	OPQ	_____	_____
KL	IJ	GH	EF	_____	_____
I	L	O	R	_____	_____

Science Fact of the Week



If you've ever wondered how your cat seems to hear every little noise from rooms far away, it is due to their highly developed ears. A cat's ear contains 32 muscles, some of which account for their aural aptitude, providing their ears with a wide range of motion to detect sound.

Menu

Daily: Vegetarian options, salad bar, fruit and yoghurts. All meat is supplied by Taylor's of Sale and all fruit and veg. supplied by Red House Farm, Dunham Massey

Monday	Cheese pasta Tomato pasta Pasta carbonara	Broccoli	Mango and orange sorbet
Tuesday	Salmon fillet Jacket potatoes served with tuna, cheese, baked beans or chilli	Salad	Fresh fruit Yoghurt
Wednesday	Wholemeal baguettes filled with ham, chicken, tuna or cheese	Salad Sweetcorn and olives	Carrot cake
Thursday	Roast chicken Roast quorn	Roast potatoes and gravy Cauliflower cheese and carrots	Lemon shortbread
Friday	Pork sausage served on a bread bun Quorn sausage served on a bread bun	Baked beans and peas	Iced fingers

Yours sincerely



Mrs H. S. Gee