

Dear Parents and Carers,

As we step into December, I hope this newsletter finds you well and ready to embrace the festive season. Christmas is just around the corner and the school is buzzing with excitement as we prepare for the holiday festivities. We are eagerly looking forward to the joy and warmth that Christmas brings. It is a time for unity, generosity, and creating lasting memories with loved ones.

#### Kindness Takes Centre Stage:

This week, our school assemblies have centred around the theme of kindness. We believe in instilling the values of compassion, empathy and consideration in our students. Our school motto includes the phrase "Be Kind" and this underpins everything we do here at Higham Lane School. I encourage you all to reinforce this essential message of kindness at home. Small acts of kindness can make a big difference in our school community and beyond.

#### **Parking Courtesy:**

A gentle reminder regarding parking arrangements during school pick-up times. The One Stop shop on Higham Lane has kindly requested that parents refrain from parking on their premises when collecting students at the end of the school day. Respecting their request ensures a smooth and cooperative relationship with our local businesses. Your cooperation in this matter is greatly appreciated as we strive to maintain positive connections with our neighbours.

#### **Punctuality:**

As we are sure you will agree, punctuality is a key life skill. We can all be late from time to time but it is important that students understand the importance of being punctual as this will be required in life. We would like to remind our parents and carers that Years 7-11 students need to be on the playground for line-up each morning at 8:40am for registration at 8:45am. We kindly ask all parents and carers to remind your children of this requirement. There is a bell that rings at 8:40am to let students know they must now be on the playground. Therefore, students need to be on the school site BEFORE 8:40am in order to arrive to the playground on time.

#### Higham Lane Gate:

The students who arrive to school via the Higham Lane Gate must also be on the school site before 8:40am as the gate electronically shuts at exactly 8:40am. If students arrive at the top of the gulley from Higham Lane after 8:40am, they will not be allowed to enter as the gate will be shutting or be shut. A member of staff supervises the area and will send any late students to the Student Services



area where they will be signed in as late. Students must not push on the gate as this can break the electronic system. Please note that we have HD CCTV camera that views that area so we can exactly what time students arrive and who is at the gate. Please encourage your child to leave home early enough to arrive to school on time; we thank you for your support.

As the holiday season approaches, let's cherish the spirit of togetherness and kindness. Wishing you and your families a wonderful December filled with warmth, joy, and festive cheer.

Warm regards,

Michael Gannon Headteacher 🎄





## **Bulletin board**

#### Year 11 Student Progress Evening

Thursday 14th December. 3pm – 8pm. Please see details on how to book appointments in letter emailed home on Wednesday 29th November. Booking opens: Wednesday 6th December 6pm

#### A Level and GCSE 2023 leavers certificate

A Level and GCSE 2023 leavers certificate can be collected from Chine Hall from Tuesday 5th December – Monday 11th December from 3.30pm – 4.30pm.



### Dates for your diary

Thursday 7th December - Year 13 Parents Information Evening Tuesday 12th December - Christmas Carol Service Monday 18th December - Year 7 to 8 Christmas Fayre Wednesday 20th December - Christmas Concert Monday 25th December to Friday 5th January - CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS





## Nuneaton & Bedworth

# Grub and Hubs



Are you in need of a warm space, and some free/cheap food over the winter period? We have brought some information together into one website which shows where you can find cheap/free food and warm spaces this winter.



Scan this QR code to head



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to the website!

Do you run a warm space or

free/cheap food opportunity? Or do

you know of one that we haven't yet

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and local volunteers

