

NEWSLETTER

William Gilbert Endowed School

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No. 310

Dear Parents

Cake Sale

Thank you to all staff, pupils and parents who have made and decorated an array of cakes on sale today. All proceeds are going to the Foundation Stage play equipment.

Building Work

During the summer vacation the Nursery garden is to be landscaped. In order to go ahead with this the Governors have been working with the Diocesan Architect, Highways Department at Derbyshire County Council and Amber Valley Borough Council in order to create a new junior entrance.

In the near future the Key Stage 2 pupils will no longer use the current gate but will have their own entrance with access immediately onto their playground. Nursery and Infant pupils will continue to use the same gate.

The building work for the new junior entrance has been fully approved and will begin on Monday, continuing through the Easter vacation.

On the first day back to school after Easter pupils should **enter the school premises in the normal way**. No one should use the new entrance until it has been fully inspected and we have talked to the children about their health and safety while using it. It is possible that there may be a delay in using the entrance as work on the junior playground to provide a ball wall and a decked area with roofed tables with games boards on, will also begin on the first day back. Until we have organised the playground so the pupils are safe from building equipment no one should use the new entrance.

Car Parking

It will be vital with two entrance/exits onto Vicarage Lane that parents take great consideration when driving and parking. It would be appreciated if cars could be parked further away from the school site to avoid congestion and unnecessary dangers. Also, could parents try to adhere to the unofficial one-way system.

Under no circumstances should cars be reversing into the school drive or stopping in the middle of Vicarage Lane outside the school gates to drop pupils off.

School Uniform

Monday 24th April will be the beginning of the Summer term. Girls may return to school in their summer dresses and boys in their shorts and white collared shirt. Shirts can be short sleeved and open collared. If you are able to persuade your son to keep his tie on until it becomes really hot we would be delighted, as they look so much smarter.

I will keep you informed on the building projects as they proceed.

I hope you all have a lovely Easter.

Yours sincerely

S J Whyld (Mrs)

Headteacher