

CASTLE BROMWICH JUNIOR SCHOOL



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NEWSLETTER



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Attendance- The flow chart on the reverse details how we support and promote good attendance with our families

Spring Term 2018 Events and Key Dates in the spring

8th February – Y4 Portals from the Past – Romans
WC 5th February – Year 5 Inspire workshops
9th February – Safer Internet Day
9th February – Y6 to RAF Cosford
15th February – Chinese New Year Celebrations Y3
WC 26th February – Year 4 Inspire workshops
5th March – Portals to the Past – Y3 Stone Age
14th /15th March Parents Evenings
23rd March – University Sharing Event
26th March – Dojo Reward Day
29th March – Y4 Easter Concert @ 9.30
Y5 Trip to Dunfield

Kidzania- Y5 parents will know of the issue with one coach when returning from our trip to London. Whilst I am still waiting to hear from the company I have made the decision to use a different company for forthcoming trips. I would however like to sincerely thank the many parents who sent such supportive messages into school; appreciating that whilst it wasn't a great end to a trip for pupils and families it was also a challenge for staff, trying to look after and entertain the children for a significant amount of time. The comments really gave the staff a boost after a tiring day – thank you again.

Entry and exit from school A reminder to parents that children must enter and leave school via the playground doors and should not be picked up from the school office unless a prior arrangement has been made with a senior member of staff.

School crossing. We are still in the process of looking to take over responsibility for school crossing patrol. In the meantime a member of the public has expressed concerns with regard to how some children and families are using the crossing - not looking when crossing the road. Please support your child to know how to safely cross the road

Since posting in the last newsletter about stay and play at the youth centre it is lovely to hear that families have begun using this. Another opportunity for families exists through St Clements church. It is a **'Me Time'** group that is run by local parents at the church on a Thursday. Their Facebook page with details is <https://www.facebook.com/metimegroup/>

Internet Safety Day On February 9th we will be taking part in the national 'Safer Internet Day' to support our children in the safe, positive and responsible use of technology. The theme this year is **Create, Connect and Share Respect: A better internet starts with you.** Children will be doing work in school looking at how they can be safe on the internet. Guidance will also be sent to parents to support you in ensuring your children are safe when using technology. Due to a school trip Y6 will be having internet safety day on Thursday 8th

Talent Show Following on from the success of recent years we are once again holding our CBJS has talent on Friday 2nd March. Each class has been holding its own talent show to narrow down the entries to 2 per class; this has now been followed by year group finals to identify the three winners per year group. Tickets for finalists are now available and will go on general release after half term. Tickets are limited so get in soon!

Parking- I am sure it is very annoying and frustrating for our parents to see the inconsiderate parking around our school site as well as having so many newsletter reminders about it. We are trying to work with the local authority to increase the number of patrols in our area. But despite the number of tickets and fines issued will still get reports from parents and residents of cars being parked on grass verges, across people's drives as well as some very aggressive comments made by parents. I am hoping that we can explore with the local authority some of the initiatives being trailed at other schools in order to improve the safety for our pupils.

PARENTS' EVENING Pupil progress meetings this term are the 14th and 15th March. This is a very important term for pupil progress and we will be supporting all pupils to achieve their targets. If any parent has any concerns with regard to progress please contact your child's class teacher. Please do not wait till parents' evening. We want to address any concerns immediately and then be able to report back to you at the progress meetings.



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Attendance Procedure below 95%

