

Dear Parents/Carers,

**We are excited to announce that to improve communication with our entire school community, we have launched a smartphone app** which is free to download and works with iPhones and Android phones. Please visit [theschool.App](#) for more information.

As a school, we believe it is essential to work in partnership with parents and carers. Part of this is achieved by ensuring that you receive clear, relevant and regular communications.

#### **Benefits of the App for Parents and Carers**

- The App is secure; you set up a PIN/ Touch ID to access on your phone
- Our school website powers the App. When you download it, you will have a single place to receive and access important messages, calendar events, newsletters, the latest news, and all information pages within the school website.
- You no longer need to go searching for letters at the bottom of school bags
- Messages appear in your inbox in the condition that they left school; you will receive secure individual and group messages as well as whole school notices
- We can be confident that you have received the message

#### **Benefits of the App for the school**

- We will be able to reduce costs as, unlike texts, messages we send are free of charge, and it will reduce our admin time by keeping all communication tools within one place.

#### **To set up the App**

- Please complete the attached permissions slip and return ASAP and certainly by XX/XX/XX so we can send you an invitation to download the App.
- Download the App as a guest user by visiting your app store and searching for TheSchoolApp or scan the QR code below using your mobile device.



**To keep you fully updated**, we must have the most up-to-date parent/guardian contact details and emergency contacts for your child. If any information changes throughout the school year, please notify us immediately.

Please feel free to contact the school office if you need further information about this service.

Best wishes,