



July 2017

Dear Parents/Carers

At the end of another busy and very successful year I would like to thank you for your ongoing support. I have a few important messages to communicate as we approach the end of the year.

School Telephone Numbers

As a consequence of Staffordshire County Council's decision to no longer provide telephony to schools at the end of the current contract, Kingsmead will be changing its phone numbers during the summer holiday. The new main school number will be 01543 227320 and to report a student absence will be 01543 227324. When the change has taken place parents will receive a text and the details will also be put on the school website. An automated message will also inform anyone who calls the old school number.

End of summer term

In the last week of term lessons will continue as usual until the end of Wednesday 19th July. On Thursday and Friday there will be House Achievement Assemblies and a range of form and House activities. As these will include outdoor activities at times and changing space in school is limited, students may choose to attend in school uniform and change for activities or alternatively they can attend in school PE kit. School will close at **2pm** on **Thursday 20th July** and at **12 noon** on **Friday 21st July**. Please be aware that there may not be school crossing patrols at the end of the day on these two days and students must be extra vigilant when crossing the roads on the way home. If you need your child to remain in school until 3pm on either day then please contact reception and we can arrange supervision.

New Uniform Policy

I would like to remind you that Mrs Mincher sent a letter reading changes to the school uniform from September. Please check the website for a full up to date copy of the new policy (under About Us-Policies and procedures).

Finally, I would like to thank everyone for their kind words regarding my role as Headteacher of Kingsmead School. I have enjoyed 11½ happy years at Kingsmead. Kingsmead is a wonderful school which I have been proud to lead and I wish everyone here every success in 2017/18 and beyond. I wish all our students and their families a safe and restful summer break.

Yours sincerely

I. Bryant
Headteacher