

Coffee Connections

30th November

Agenda



Grab a coffee/tea!

Another long term! Reflection of Term 2- What has gone well? Even better ifs?

The run up to Christmas- What does this mean for our SEND pupils? Proactive approaches to supporting our pupils

SEND Public Consultation Update- What were the options? What does this mean for our school?

Mental Health Awareness Training and Supporting Children and Young People's Wellbeing

SEND Pupil Voice- Parental input on how to reliably grasp what children think about their school, learning and support

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SEND Budgets and Public Consultation

Dear Parents, Governors and Staff

I am sure you will have seen in the news that there are to be significant cuts to funding for schools and a change in the way pupils with special educational needs are funded from 2019. The impact of this has been seen in 'School' - a current BBC documentary filmed in Castle, Marlwood, Downend and Mangotsfield secondary schools where pupils are being impacted by staff cuts that have provided support for them. It's a really interesting watch and can be downloaded from BBC iplayer easily.

The changes are going to impact Bowsland Green significantly and we need your help. We have a unique and special team of pupils that need additional support in a range of ways and to even think of that being removed is just not acceptable for our school community. There is public consultation on the proposed cuts that you are entitled to feed into and the more voices that are heard the more likely the Government and local bodies are to listen. Please would you find the time to feed into this by giving your views.

<http://www.southglos.gov.uk/health-and-social-care/care-and-support-children-families/local-offer/local-offer-send-strategy/public-consultation-schools-send-budget-2019-20/>

More about the issue can be read here: <https://www.bristolpost.co.uk/news/bristol-news/letter-south-gloucestershire-heads-funding-2217157>

Please help us by standing together and feeding back our views. We need to protect our community and in particular, well-being of our pupils.

Thank you.

Upcoming Dates

8th December —Christmas tree sale in the car park, 11am—2pm
11th December—Rec/ KS1 Christmas Performance at 2pm
12th December—Rec/ KS1 Christmas Performance at 9.30am
13th December—Flu immunisations YR—Y5
19th December—Choir singing at Willow Brook centre at 6pm
20th December—KS2 Winter sing a long at 9.15 am and 2.15pm
21st December—Christmas Lunch day/ Wear your Christmas jump-er to school

Term 3- Monday 7th January
9th January – Holly Learning and Lunch
Wk 14th January – Assessment Week 2
16th January – Chestnut Learning and Lunch
23rd January – Birch Learning and Lunch
24th January – Elm Class Assembly
15th February - INSET

Next Coffee Connections- Monday 4th February 9am-10am