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Dear Parents/Guardians



For some time we have used text messages to keep you informed. We have to pay for text messages and this can add up to a lot of money.

We now have a new smart phone app - School Gateway. The app is completely free, and cuts the costs of text messaging. Great news as the money saved can be better used elsewhere.

Firstly you need to inform us of your e mail address, once this has been registered you can install School Gateway.

If you have a smart phone, you simply need to install the app from Google Play Store or Apple App Store.

Step 1 Search the store for 'School Gateway' or go to www.schoolgateway.com/apple or



www.schoolgateway.com/android , Install the app and open it

Step 2 Enter your email and mobile number – your PIN number will then be sent to your phone

Step 3 Enter your pin

Well Done! That's it - you will now receive messages from us through the app instead of by text. Your phone will buzz/ring just like when a text message arrives. So you will:

- receive instant notification of messages
- receive messages using Wi-Fi even when there is no mobile signal
- not be charged for sending replies back to the school
- help save the school money on text credits
- check/monitor your child's attendance
- check your child's attainment/assessment levels
- monitor your child's behavior and achievement

Please don't worry if your mobile phone doesn't have an app facility we will continue to send messages via text instead.

Thank you

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