

## PRESTON MANOR SCHOOL

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Dear Parent/Carer,

I want to start by thanking those parents that have been to visit the school in recent weeks on our Tuesday Open Mornings. It has been lovely to see so many parents joining our school during a normal day to see our schools in action. There is still a week to go at the Upper School with other opportunities available at our Lower School, but please ensure that booking is done through our website by visiting our website: <https://www.preston-manor.com/open-days> We welcome anyone that wants to visit us and seeing what a school is really like, on a normal day, is something that we actively encourage.

There is now only one week left of our first half term and half term begins after we have finished on Friday 25th October. Please note that school starts at normal time on Monday 4th November for all of our students across both sites. It is also important to note that **Monday 4th November sees the start of the School Street initiative which is being trialled for 12 months.** Please also be aware that any vehicle that does not have a permit or exemption will receive a penalty charge notice from Brent Council and this is entirely out of our hands. If you have an arranged appointment with the school, it will be important to ensure that your vehicle registration number is provided to the school either when signing in or in advance so we can provide your details to avoid a penalty charge.

I know this will be a change for all of us and will require some adaptations to journey times, drop off and pick up points, but we ask that you plan for this in advance of Monday 4th November to avoid a late arrival for your son/daughter. If people are struggling with where to park to bring your child to school, Preston Road has a pay and display car park which is free for the first hour. The four roads that are directly affected are:

### **Carlton Avenue East | Princess Avenue | Bowling Green Ct | Elmstead Avenue**

These roads should not be driven on without an exemption or permit between 8.00am to 9.00am and 2.30pm to 4pm. This is inclusive of Monday to Friday. We understand the school street zone will take a little time to adapt to, but it will have an immediate positive impact on the safety of our young people.

I would like to share some wonderful news about one of our ex-students, Lamar Miller, who received the 'Be Inspired Youth Award' from the Association of Jamaican Nationals UK at their Gala in Birmingham. Lamar was a student who contributed so much to our school community in his time here and will also be visiting us soon to talk to our students. He was joined at the presentation by our Chair of Governors, Dr Palmer, who has said how fantastic the evening was and what a credit Lamar is to our school community.

As we approach half term, our Year 11 and Year 13 students will be getting ready for exams shortly after we return. Please encourage your son/daughter to begin revision activities and preparation as grades from these exams will contribute to sixth form applications as well as University applications. They are also a fantastic indicator for staff in where to begin intervention so that each individual can be supported. I would also ask that you encourage your children to read daily! When looking at reading records of our Lower School children, in a number of cases, reading stops when we are on school holidays. Reading is so important and reading is the key to being able to access the curriculum, lesson materials as well as unlocking true potential. Please take a few minutes, every day, to read a few pages together!

Wishing you all a peaceful and restful weekend.

Yours faithfully

Mr. R A Denial  
Executive Headteacher