

Arrangements for 4th July 2024 General Election

Following yesterdays announcement that a general election is to take place on **Thursday 4th July**, I need to inform you that once again Princefield will be required for use as a Polling station. Legally we **CANNOT** refuse this requested use.

In Local / Police commissioner type elections the footfall is estimated to be approx. 300, therefore the Nursery area, which can also be locked off from the rest of the school, can be used for these events.

With a general election the estimated footfall rises to near 1,000, requiring a bigger space. Because of this I have been informed by the local electoral team they will require the hall instead, which cannot be locked off from the rest of the school and would pose a safeguarding risk for the children. It will therefore be necessary for school to **close on this day**.

All children will be provided with an optional pack of work to complete at home on this day.

Unfortunately, this was also the day set aside for Reception, Year 1, 2, 3 & 4 Sports Day which will **not** go ahead. These events have been rearranged for **Thursday 11th July**. Reception sports day 9.15am , Year s1, 2, 3,& 4 Sports day starting at 1.30pm

I'm sure you will appreciate that these events are out of our control and I hope by acting on this news as quickly as has been possible, it will reduce the inconvenience this may bring for you.

Regards