

11th February 2010

Dear Parents/Carers

General Elections – 6th May 2010

I write giving you advance notice that both our school and Meadows First have been informed by Bromsgrove District Council that our premises are required for use as a polling station for the Parliamentary General Elections.

The proposed date for the above election is Thursday 6 May 2010 on which the hours of poll will be 7.00 a.m. to 10.00 p.m. The Governors and I are deeply frustrated at this and have written to and met with Council representatives to look at options to keep the school open on this day.

Sadly at present there seems to be no alternative but to close the school to most of our pupils but, with SATs week beginning the following Monday, we feel it is essential that our year 6 pupils attend in order to avoid potential disruption to their final test preparations.

Therefore, **only pupils in year 6** will be required to attend, with all other children having a day at home. All the staff will come to work as usual. May I emphasise that this date is a provisional date only and could yet change depending on the decision of when the Government decides to call the General Election. However, both I and the Governors wanted to give parents as much advance warning as possible in order that you can make any necessary childcare arrangements.

Thank you in anticipation of your further support.

Yours sincerely

N Mills
Headteacher