



NOTTINGHAM UNIVERSITY
SAMWORTH ACADEMY

Dear Parents/Carer

I am writing to inform you of an upcoming change to the way in which the school communicates information to you. We have recently invested in a new school management information system called BROMCOM. This system is where teachers take registers and record other information. This will include: student behaviour, attendance, homework and announcements just to name a few. This will mean that we will no longer use Kickboard to record and reward student behaviour.

One of the best aspects of this system is that it has student, teacher and parent mobile applications (apps). The parent app is called "My Child At School" (MCAS) and this allows access to your own child's information. The site is also accessible via a web page at <http://www.mychildatschool.com>.

The app is an extremely secure service that complies with GDPR regulations. In the next few days we will be sending you a username, invitation code and the school ID. You will need to go to <https://www.mychildatschool.com/MCAS/MCSRedeemInvitationCode> to set up MCAS using the details sent. After setting up your account you will then be able to download the MCAS app.

In order to send you this code the school needs to have an up to date email address and phone number. If you know that the school does not have this information because it has recently changed or you have not been receiving the recent regular communication then please send updated information (**names and year group of your children, parent's email and mobile number**) to contact@nusa.org.uk.

The apps complete functions will go live in September. However the school has plans to get the app up and running before then so that in September all parents are familiar with how to use the app. Before September you will have opportunity to access details of home learning work completion via the behaviour section and also important announcements.

The app allows you to see exactly what goes on at school with instant access and no delay. This will enable you to be more engaged with school life by supporting your child in the appropriate way. For example you will be able to see when they have homework so you are able to provide them with reminders and check they have completed it. By viewing their timetable, you could simply ask how their day has been. Increased parental engagement has been proven to improve student's achievement. Go to your app store, download the app (search for MCAS) and wait for the invitation code which will be sent out soon.

All parents that sign up to the app will be entered in to a prize draw, to win one of 5, £50 love2shop vouchers. The deadline for this Wednesday 17th June in order to be included in the prize draw.

Yours sincerely,

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