



## Bishop John Robinson CE Primary School

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Dear Parents and Carers,

During our recent trip to PGL, our parents and staff trialled a notification app called Telegram, as a means of sharing news and information with parents (alongside Parent Mail, Twitter, letters etc). We have received very positive feedback from the staff using the service, as well as glowing recommendations from the parents who received information (which appears on your mobile device like a text message) and we are going to expand our use to the whole school.

The Application is free to download and use, and is supported for use on Apple and Android devices (with a telephone number).

To download the Telegram Messaging App, you can either search for it directly in your App Store, or visit:

IOS: <https://apps.apple.com/gb/app/telegram-messenger/id686449807>

Android: [https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=org.telegram.messenger&hl=en\\_GB&gl=US](https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=org.telegram.messenger&hl=en_GB&gl=US)

Once downloaded, you will need to set yourself up with a simple account.

We would strongly encourage users to protect their online identity: In the privacy and security section, we would recommend you set your settings for Phone Number, Calls and Forwarded Messages are set to "Nobody". You may wish to also set your profile picture and groups & channels to nobody as well. This means that others in the group will not be able to access your contact details.

Then, join the BJR Notifications group using the following QR code:

or by visiting (on your mobile device): [https://t.me/joinchat/WHE\\_9JUCOfiMjE0](https://t.me/joinchat/WHE_9JUCOfiMjE0)

Once you join the whole school notification group, you can find links at the top of the list so that you can also join the groups for each child's year group. We will continue to use Parent Mail, letters, newsletters, Twitter etc., but hope that this will offer parents another means of keeping in contact with the school.

If you have any questions, please contact the school office in confidence.

Yours faithfully,

Mr Matthew Harris  
Headteacher

