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## **Dear Parents**

## Southgate Green move to the main Bowes site in September 2021

We are writing to let you know about some important changes that we will be making at Bowes in September 2021. As you know in 2014, we opened a reception class at Broomfield School to help local families who were unable to find a school place for their child. This one class then grew every year and we are very proud of the success of Bowes Southgate Green. Although located on separate sites, they have always been led by one headteacher and senior leadership team, and the Department for Education (DfE) regard the two sites as one school.

It had always been our plan to work with Broomfield school, Enfield and the DfE to try and retain Bowes Southgate Green at Broomfield, or at a new site, and for it to become a standalone school within the Enfield Learning Trust. Unfortunately, despite many meetings, Broomfield have not been willing to provide us with a long-term lease or in fact any sort of lease. The school has offered us a licence but this is not acceptable, as it gives us no permanency even in the short term. This leaves the school extremely vulnerable should Broomfield require us to move out. As a result of this uncertainty, we agreed not to admit any further pupils to Bowes Southgate Green in September 2021.

Looking to the future, and wanting to provide children and families with a sense of certainty and stability, we will be bringing most of the Bowes community under one roof, on the New Southgate site, from September 2021. The Nursery will be relocated back to the Broomfield site where it will remain for several years. To accommodate pupils from the Southgate Green site, we will reconfigure the classrooms on the New Southgate site and make use of existing accommodation.

We always made a promise to the Southgate Green parents that their children would have the best possible education for as long as they were with us. Even though the two sites have in past operated quite independently, in recent years we have tried to bring the two sites together and they now operate as one school. As always, the needs of the children come first and we will work to ensure a smooth and successful transition.



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## **Bowes Southgate Green Year 6**

To ensure that all our Year 6 pupils have access to smaller groups and interventions, maximising opportunities to be successfully prepared for secondary school, we will be moving the current Southgate Green Year 6 across to the New Southgate site from **Tuesday** 5<sup>th</sup> **January 2021**. The class will move with their teacher and they will become a bubble with the other Year 6 classes. If any parents have siblings in other year groups and they would like them to move across to the main Bowes site at the same time as Year 6, please let the school know.

We are sorry that we are unable to meet with you in person to share this news, but any questions/comments you may have should be emailed to <a href="mailto:southgategreen@bowesprimaryelt.org">southgategreen@bowesprimaryelt.org</a>. We have also created a 'Frequently Asked Questions' and Responses page on our website under the 'Parent Information' section. This will continue to be updated following any developments.

Kind regards

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