

## **Bents Green School**

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Dear Parent/Carer,

## National test of the UK Emergency Alerts service - Sunday 23 April at 3pm

On Sunday 23 April at 3pm the UK will be testing its Emergency Alert Service. The service has been set up so that mobile phones or tablets receive alerts about:

- severe flooding
- fires
- extreme weather

The alert service will warn you if there is a danger to life nearby. You'll get alerts based on your current location - not where you live or work. You do not need to turn on location services to receive alerts.

In an emergency, your mobile phone or tablet will receive an alert with advice about how to stay safe. The government does not need to know your phone number or location to send you an alert.

Emergency alerts will only be sent by:

- the emergency services
- · government departments, agencies and public bodies that deal with emergencies

What happens when you get an emergency alert, your mobile phone or tablet may:

- make a loud siren-like sound, even if it's set on silent
- vibrate
- read out the alert

The sound and vibration will last for about 10 seconds.

An alert will include a phone number or a link to the GOV.UK website for more information. If you would like any further information please visit <u>About Emergency Alerts - GOV.UK (www.gov.uk)</u>

Yours sincerely

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