



Key Dates

2nd May 14.15 Year 1
Parents phonics event
13th-16th May Y6 SATs
20th-23rd May Y2 SATs
4th June Year 5 parents
secondary transfer
briefing at 5.30
14th June Years 1-6
Sports Day at Medway
Park
19th June Year 1 trip to
Leeds Castle
4th July FS and SEN
sports day at school
8th July Years 3&4 to
Leeds Castle
11th July Summer Fair
17th July Y6 production
to parents

Term 5

Tuesday 23rd April
until
Friday 24th May

Term 6

Tuesday 4th June
until
Tuesday 23rd July

Term 1

Tuesday 3rd September
until
Friday 25th October

Term 2

Tuesday 5th November
until
Friday 20th December

Term 3

Tuesday 7th January 2020
until
Friday 14th February 2020

Term 4

Monday 24th February
until

Headline

Welcome to term 5!

This is always a busy term with lots going on. Here's a quick overview of events and planned learning for the term.

FS1

Lots of new and interesting resources have been added to the Nursery to stimulate children's curiosity, imagination and development. There will be a singing event to learn the songs we are learning. It will be on Friday 10th May at 11.10am for morning pupils and 3.00pm for afternoon pupils.

FS2

Learning about minibeasts and Spring time. They will be investigating spiders, ladybirds and other insects by going on bug hunts, researching and recording their learning in fact sheets. There will be **Family Friday on 17th May** – watch out for more details!

Year 1

Learning about sea adventures and explorers. They will be researching the life of Christopher Columbus and learning about oceans and continents. There will be a **phonics event on 2nd May at 2:45pm** – hope to see you there!

Year 2

Year 2 will be learning about Victorians and focusing on the life of a Victorian child including school and work. There will be a **parent reading event on 9th May at 3pm and a family sewing circle on 15th May @ 2:30pm**

LKS2

Their topic is the Tudors, which will also form the basis of their RWI work this term too. They will be focusing on life in the time of Henry VIII and learning about his wives, Tudor schools, children and religion. There will be a **family art event on Wednesday 22nd May @ 2:45pm**, where you will get the chance to do some

drawing with your children and learn more about the excellent peer critique strategies they have been learning.

UKS2

UKS2 will be continuing with learning around the USA and this term focusing on 20th Century America. There will be a **showcase event on Wednesday 22nd May** – watch this space for more details.

In addition to the above events we are also delighted to offer parents / carers the chance to attend a couple of other open sessions.

On **Monday 20th May Mrs Marie will hold a PSHE demonstration lesson** using the new Relationship and Sex Education resources provided by Medway Public Health Team and the National PSHE Association. This follows on from our information session earlier this year and will give parents the chance to observe a lesson taught to LKS2 pupils on puberty, and another chance to speak to Sofie Wheeldon from the Public Health team. Please let the office know if you would like to attend.

On **Monday 13th May** we are excited to offer the chance for you to meet 'Tribe Within' to showcase their family resources. This will be a FREE event and will give you the chance to try out their on-line resources which focus on spending time with your children.

I'M A PARENT- GET ME OUTTA HERE!

Join us for a Mental Health and Personal Development Session

What if you could work out what's going on in your child's brain so you could communicate better, calm them down, motivate them and help them become the best version of themselves? What if through the process of them growing, you could,

Uniform

A navy blue jumper, sweatshirt or cardigan for Years 1 - 6. Royal blue for FS1 and FS2 (Nursery and reception) . Navy, black or grey trousers, tailored shorts, skirt or dress/navy and white checked dress. A white or blue polo shirt, shirt or blouse. Flat plain black shoes or trainers (no heels or open toes). Uniform can be ordered from www.myclothing.com

Key Staff

Mrs Mason *Headteacher*

Mrs Price *Deputy Head FS & KS1*

Mr Presneill *Deputy Head KS2*

Mrs White *Chair of Governors*

Mrs Prentice *SENCO*

Mrs Lewis *FS Leader*

Mrs Price *Y1 Leader*

Mrs Byrne *Y2 Leader*

Mrs Marie *LKS2 Leader*

Mr MacDonald *UKS2 Leader*

Mrs Liddle *Family Liason Officer*

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We operate a very clear whistleblowing policy for staff.

too? Because let's just face it, they aren't the only ones who need help!

Join us for a short taster session hosted by Sarah Appleby, co-founder of Tribe Within, an innovative social enterprise that provides mental health and personal development for families. Sarah is also a mum-of-three and thus shares insight from a wealth of experience!

Sarah will reveal WHY a child's mind is SO different from an adult's and HOW to tune in to it so you can create breakthroughs in your home and relationships! She will share a unique "language" that you can adopt in your home - making communication between your family members easy, loving and helpful! PLUS she will give you a taster of Tribe Within's highly-acclaimed kid's course "Tribe Me."

Sarah will facilitate a powerful session that looks into your own thoughts & beliefs to break through what limits you, and build up what drives you towards your personal goals.

WHERE: School Hall

WHEN: Monday 13th May @ 2:30pm

For more information on Tribe Within please visit their website <https://tribewithin.co.uk/> or follow them on Facebook <https://www.facebook.com/TribeWithinMe/>

News

Red nose day

We raised £308.10 from the tag day - thank you for your support.

Book Fair

The book fair is coming to school again and will be in the school hall from 29th April to Thursday 2nd May.

Year 3/4 Trip to Leeds Castle

Years 3 and 4 are visiting Leeds Castle on 8th July. Please see the attached letter for more information.

Open Event

Home-Start Medway are holding an open day on Thursday 2nd May from 10.00 - 17.00. This is to celebrate the many changes they have gone through

over the last few months, the new office, new branding and expanded help. They can be found at 3 Canterbury Street, Gillingham and their telephone number is 01634 570717

They also have a website address for more information www.home-startmedway.org.uk

Reminders

Requests for Leave of Absence in Exceptional Circumstances

If you are applying for leave of absence for your child/ren, please allow a few weeks to process the application. Please ensure you complete a the 'Leave of absence in exceptional circumstances' form which can be obtained from the front office and put an accompanying letter with it, thank you

Pat On The Back

3/4B - Phoebe for always working hard, doing her best and completing all activities with enthusiasm and Joshua for always being a superb role-model and consistently following school rules
3/4F - Arshpreet for being kind and accommodating to other children and Kiana for her resilience and perservance during learning

3/4M - Tinuola and Ebony for excellent work in numeracy

3/4P - Taylor S for trying hard in literacy and Joshua for working on his running skills and wanting to improve

5H - Max for fantastic effort in maths and working collaboratively in supporting other students and Tyisha for her ongoing continuous effort and progress in English and maths

5/6S - Samuel for stamina and motivation in English and Bethany for working consistently hard in all her lessons

6T - Tyler and Cerys for their Keith Haring "Dancing Figures" sculptures

Coming Home.....

- Year 3/4 trip letter

