

## Headline

As we reach the end of another term, I would like to say a huge well done to the children in Years 2 and 6 who in the past two weeks have taken their SATs tests. The staff team have been incredibly impressed with their grown-up attitude to these tests. As parents and carers, you can all be very proud of them.

As mentioned in the children's newsletter last week, the new Kitchen Classroom is almost complete and ready to be used. It is a huge thank you to Provident Financial Group and Councillor Khan for their contributions to this project, without which this amazing facility would not have been possible. If you have not already done so, please look at our Twitter feed for pictures. We have almost completed writing the risk assessments. We now need to purchase the equipment such as saucepans and mixing bowls and then the room will be ready to use. From September we plan to run cooking sessions for parents and families. Medway Council's Health Team are also looking to run sessions too.

With this term being so short, all curriculum topics will continue at the start of next term for one or two weeks. Once they change, the Term 6 topics are:

- Travel (Year R)
- Moon Zoom (Years 1 & 2)
- Tremors (Years 3 & 4)
- Pharaohs (Years 5 & 6)

A reminder that next week is school holiday. Children return to school on Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> June.

Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> June is a staff training day when we will be focusing on further topic curriculum developments.

Finally, the office has received a lot of enquiries about term dates for 2019/20. Most of these can be found each week in the newsletter. They are available on our website and were first published in May 2018. We will shortly be publishing our term dates for 2020/21 to enable you to plan family holidays.

Enjoy the break.

Mr Carthy

## News

### Summer Fayre Thurs 11<sup>th</sup> July

We would like to make this year's Fayre bigger and better than ever.

We need :

- Your old toys that are in good condition
- Any unwanted Teddies
- Adults that would be willing to do Henna Tattoos
- Talented adults who are hiding a skill eg, balloon modelling

Please could toys and teddies be brought in as soon as possible. If you are able to help, please contact the office.

## Reminders

### Before School

A reminder that the play equipment on both playgrounds is not to be used in the mornings

## Key Dates

14<sup>th</sup> June – Tag Day  
 18<sup>th</sup> June – KS2 Sports Day  
 25<sup>th</sup> June – FS2 Sports Day  
 27<sup>th</sup> June – KS1 Sports Day  
 27<sup>th</sup> June – Year 6 Bowling  
 8<sup>th</sup> July – FS to Y1 Transition Meeting for Parents  
 9<sup>th</sup> July – Y2 to Y3 Transition Meeting for Parents  
 10<sup>th</sup> July – Y4 to Y5 Transition Meeting for Parents  
 11<sup>th</sup> July – Summer Fayre

## Term Dates 18/19

### Term 6

Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> June  
 until  
 Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> July

## Term Dates 19/20

### Term 1

Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> September  
 until  
 Friday 25<sup>th</sup> October

### Term 2

Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> November  
 until  
 Friday 20<sup>th</sup> December

### Term 3

Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> January  
 until  
 Friday 14<sup>th</sup> February

### Term 4

Monday 24<sup>th</sup> February  
 until  
 Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> April

### Term 5

Monday 20<sup>th</sup> April  
 Until  
 Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> May

## Uniform

A navy blue jumper, sweatshirt or cardigan. 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). [www.myclothing.com](http://www.myclothing.com)

## Key Staff

**Mr Carthy** *Headteacher*

**Mrs Langthorne** *Deputy Head*

**Mr Chantler** *Deputy Head*

**Ms Gould** *Chair of Governors*

**Mrs Hill & Miss Knight** *SENCO*

**Miss Masters** *FS Leader*

**Miss Scudder** *KS1 Leader*

**Mr Chantler** *LKS2 Leader*

**Mr Atkins** *UKS2 Leader*

**Mrs Vella** *Family Liason Officer*

This school is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children, achieving equal opportunities and combating discrimination.

We operate a very clear whistleblowing policy for staff.

between when the gates are open and the bell goes for the start of the school day.

## Health & Wellbeing

### Healthy Snacks

Children in Year R, 1 and 2 receive a free piece of fruit or vegetable every school day through the School Fruit and Vegetable Scheme (SFVS), administered by the Department of Health.

For Junior aged children we follow guidelines set out by the national school food plan.

Children are allowed the following food for their break time snack

- Fruit
- Snacking vegetables such as carrots
- Cracker based snacks such as Mini Cheddars or Dunkers
- Rice Cakes
- Fruit bars (no nuts)
- Cereal bars (no nuts)
- Yoghurts
- A small sandwich (separate to any packed lunch items)
- Any other packet snack with a saturated fat content no higher than 10%

## In The Community

### Christians Against Poverty- Thanksgiving Service and 6<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Party

On Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> June the Christians Against Poverty are holding a Thanksgiving Service and 6<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Party. The event will be held at Gillingham Baptist Church, Green Street, Gillingham at 10:15am.

Please contact Ruth (07796936353) or Luke (07756006642) to book a place.

### Blood Doner Sessions

The NHS will be holding a doner session at Priestfield Stadium, Gillingham on Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> May from 13:30 – 20:00. For more information and to book an appointment please visit: [blood.co.uk](http://blood.co.uk) or call 0300 123 23 23.

### Places of Welcome

Places of Welcome are run by local community groups who want to make sure everyone in your area has a place to go for conversation and a cup of tea if and when they need it. Your local Place of Welcome is at St Augustine's Church, Rock Avenue, Gillingham. It is open on Wednesdays from 9am – 11am.

For more information please visit [www.placesofwelcome.org.uk](http://www.placesofwelcome.org.uk)

## Pat On The Back

The class with the best attendance for the week beginning the 13<sup>th</sup> May 2019 was 3/4T with an amazing 100%! 1F had no late pupils during this week, and a fantastic 98.8% of children arrived on time.

## Also Coming Home

- Year R and Year 1 - Blue Whale Swimming School Leaflet
- Year 2 Kingsquad letter
- Shrek Adventure Voucher
- Medway Theatres Leaflet