

Headline:

We have reached the end of Term 5 and I want to say a huge well done to the children in Year 2 and Year 6 for their efforts during SATS the past two weeks. We are incredibly proud of them for the work they have done and the way they conducted themselves. I would also like to say a huge thank you to staff for all they have done during this busy time at school to make it all run as smoothly as possible.

We are saying goodbye today to someone on the staff team and we say welcome back to a familiar face at the beginning of next term.

22 years is a long time to work in a school. It shows true commitment and dedication to the children and families in the community to do so. That is how long Mrs Smith in the office has worked here. Sadly, today we said goodbye to her. We wish her well with so much more time on her hands and we are sure that she will keep in touch.

Mrs Heyes returns from maternity leave after the May break and will be working across the school next term.

Staff start next term with a training day on Monday 4th June. We will be focusing on planning some changes to the topic curriculum for the next school year, updating our training on phonics teaching and learning all about a couple of multi-school projects staff are involved in.

Children return to school on Tuesday 5th June and it is a busy start. I wrote to Year 6 parents earlier this term to inform them that we have been selected to take part in Science SATs sampling this year. This test will take place on Friday 8th June. The following week is phonics screening for children in Year 1. Later in the term we have sports days, summer fayre, end of year reports and Year 6 production to fit in too.

Enjoy the break, fingers crossed for some good weather.

Mr Carthy

News

Tesco Uniform

Please be aware that Tesco Direct are ceasing trading, and so will not be restocking any more school uniforms. Uniforms can still be purchased from Tesco Direct until the 9th July 2018, but only while stocks last.

Tesco will be informing us of the new web link that uniforms can be purchased on, shortly after this date. Once we have all of the information, we will inform you of this via the Newsletter.

Reminders

School Crossing Patrol

Due to the continued absence of our Site Manager, there will be no School Crossing Patrol for the foreseeable future. Please take extra care when walking to and from school.

School Nurse

The School Nurse has been booked to come into school on Monday 11th June, between 10:45 and 12:00, for a parent drop-in session. You are invited to meet with the School Nurse to discuss issues such as behaviour, toileting, healthy eating etc.

If you would like to meet with the Nurse, please contact the school office to book a slot. Please note, the School Nurse is no longer able to offer hearing tests during this time.

Medication in School

If your child is prescribed medication to be administered three times a day, this should be done at home, perhaps before school, on arrival at home from school, and then later in the evening.

Should your child need medication four times during the day, then we are able to administer a dose during school time. Parents are requested to bring the medicine to the school office where they will be asked to complete a form. We are only able to administer medicine which has been prescribed by the doctor and has the

Coming Soon

First Day of Term 6
Tuesday 5th June

Year 1 and 2 Visit to Howlett's Zoo
Wednesday 6th June

Tag Day for Summer Fayre
Friday 15th June

KS2 Sports Day at Medway Park
Thursday 21st June

Foundation Stage Sports Day
Tuesday 26th June

KS1 Sports Day
Wednesday 27th June

Term Dates 2017/18

Term 5
Monday 16th April 2018
Until
Friday 25th May 2018

Term 6
Tuesday 5th June 2018
Until
Wednesday 25th July 2018

Term Dates 2018/2019

Term 1
Tuesday 4th September 2018
Until
Friday 19th October 2018

Term 2
Tuesday 29th October 2018
Until
Tuesday 18th December 2018

Term 3
Thursday 3rd January 2019
Until
Friday 15th February 2019

Term 4
Tuesday 26th February 2019
Until
Friday 5th April 2019



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).
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dispensing label on the box or bottle. No medicine should come into school with your child.

Health and Wellbeing

Healthy Snacks

Remember – these are the healthy snacks we recommend for junior breaktime snacks. (Years R, 1 and 2 receive a free piece of fruit or vegetable every school day through the School Fruit and Vegetable Scheme).

- 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

Medway Family Action – SENDIAS Service

SENDIAS stands for Special Educational Needs and Disability Information, Advice and Support, and they provide a range of free and impartial help to parents/carers and young people in Medway.

They offer:

- Free impartial and confidential information advice and support in relation to education, health and social care.
- Support to express your views, wishes and feelings.
- Support at meetings with schools and the Local Authority.
- Help to complete SEND related paperwork
- Support for young people up to 25 in their own right
- Signposting to other support services

In order to access SENDIAS Service as a parent, carer or young person, you can telephone or email their service directly for information, advice and support relating to Special Education Needs or Disability within Education, Health or Social Care.

As a professional, you can access the Service, with the parent/carer and/or young person's consent, and can make a referral to SENDIAS either by telephone or email. They are also happy to offer other professionals advice and support in matters relating to SEND.

To contact Medway SENDIAS, you can write to: Medway SENDIAS, Family Action, 5a New Road Avenue, Chatham, ME4 6BB.

Alternatively, you can email: medwaysendias@family-action.org.uk, or telephone: 01634 566 303 (answerphone messages will be responded to within 48 hours).

Pat on the Back

The class with the best attendance for the week beginning the 14th May 2018 is 5C, with an amazing 97.9%! 3/4T had no late pupils during this week, and a brilliant 98.5% of children arrived on time. Well done to everybody!

Inclusions This Week

- Secondary School 2019 Admissions Flyer (Year 5)
- Rochester Dickens Festival Flyer
- Focus On Festival Flyer

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

Head Teacher: Mr Carthy

Deputy Heads: Mrs Langthorne (4-7 year olds) and Mr Chantler (7-11 year olds)

Family Liaison Officer: Mrs Vella

Inclusion Manager: Mrs Hill

This school operates a very clear whistleblowing policy for staff