



Chilham St. Mary's Church Of England Primary School

Newsletter 5th May 2017

Message from the Governors

As you will know the current situation with Mrs Sweet as our Interim Headteacher is in place until the end of July. As a governing body we are exploring options for the future, part of that process involves advertising for a new headteacher to see if a suitable candidate is available. An appropriate job advertisement has been prepared and posted, and we await responses. As we move forward it is important that we all know that regardless of who may be our Headteacher in the future, Chilham will still be supported by Mrs Sweet, Challock staff and the rest of our collaboration of schools.

News from the PTA

Meeting 14th June

The PTA would like to invite parents, carers and teachers to an informal gathering at Old Wives Lees Village Hall on 14th June at 7.30 for 8pm. We will be talking about the fund raising events that we run, what the money we raise goes towards and thinking about future events. This will be an informal time for people to get a better idea of what the PTA does and contribute new ideas and projects. The PTA will provide tea, coffee and nibbles, please feel free to bring your own bottle! We look forward to seeing you there!

We will be having our next regular meeting on 9th May at 1.30pm in the School Dining Hall. Anyone is welcome to come along and join us if they would like to be involved in raising funds for the school.

23rd June, Sports Day, BBQ and Games. 1.20pm onwards, Sports Field

After Sports Day this year, the PTA will be running a BBQ and some games for families to enjoy. This will be an opportunity to hang out with family and friends after Sports Day, grab a burger and raise some money for the school.

Upcoming Sports Events

<p>Wednesday 17th May British Heart Foundation Fundraiser Sports Hall - All Day Event Multi- Sports Fundraiser Mrs Keir & Sports Council</p>	<p>Thursday 29th June Small School Football Tournament Y4/5 The North School 4-6pm Squad of 7, teams of 5 Miss Harris</p>
<p>Thursday 18th May Tennis Tournament Y3/4 The North school 4-6pm 2 teams of 4 Mr Geeves</p>	<p>Tuesday 11th July Mini Tennis Y3/4 The North School 4-6pm 2 teams of 4 Mrs Keir</p>
<p>Wednesday 21st June Multi Sports YF/1 The North School 4-6pm 3 girls + 3 boys Mrs Keir</p>	<p>After School Clubs There are still spaces available for all clubs except Athletics. Please speak to the school office to sign up</p>

Wrens & Year 1



As part of our topic about 'People who help us' the Wrens and Year 1 were visited by two PCSOs so that they could find out about the ways in which they help in our community. They also talked to the children about 'stranger danger' and learnt the motto 'SAY NO! DON'T GO!' The officers commented on how beautifully behaved the children were and the super answers to questions they gave.



Last week, the Wrens visited the Post Office and posted a letter home. Next week, we will be having a talk from a Nurse.

Year 3 Swimming



Say 'Cheese' everyone.... The Year 3's are really enjoying their swimming lessons at Faversham pool.



The Herons



Hérons have been very busy this term creating their own writing based on 'Where the Wild Things Are' and some children have even made up their own wild dances! Herons are now busy making information leaflets all about sharks - watch out for our shark display soon to appear in the classroom! A big 'thank you' to Ranjeet for bringing in items to help us understand about Hindu shrines. Year Two SATs will take place in the week



commencing 15th May. Please make sure your child has a good night's sleep and eaten a hearty breakfast. It is very important that children attend school and arrive on time over these next two weeks. Many thanks for all your support.



Peacocks

As the countdown to SATs reaches an end, the year 6s have been pushing themselves to make sure they are as prepared as possible for next week. The year 5s also continue to work hard with Miss Harris in the mornings and this week have been dissecting and analysing newspaper reports while exploring the challenging concept of 'time' in their maths lessons (see if they can explain to you how a train timetable works).



A note for parents regarding next week's SATs

Please make sure that your child is in school on time (maybe even a bit early) and that they have a good night's sleep throughout the 4 days of tests. There will also be hot chocolate on offer for our year 6's in the mornings to make sure they're nice and relaxed.



As a reward for working hard in the mornings, every afternoon the year 6's will have a different treat for the first hour after lunch, starting with a 'forest school' activity on Monday. On Friday they have been promised a trip to Shelley's Tea Room to end a long week with a slice of cake!

Please reassure your children that they do not need to worry about next week. I am extremely proud of how far all of them have come and know they will all do their best. Make sure they relax over the weekend and enjoy not having any homework (just for this week!).

Mr Geeves

Monday 5th June

This is no longer an inset day as we had to have Friday 10th March as a staff training day. **Please note that all children will be expected to attend school as usual.**

Sainsbury's Active Kids Vouchers

Please dig deep and send in any vouchers you still have. The scheme is fantastic; with your help we can get lots of new sports and cookery equipment. Please ask your family & friends for any unwanted vouchers too 😊

Dates for your Diary



Monday 8th May – Friday 12th May KS2 SATS week

Monday 15th May – Friday 19th May KS1 SATS week

Please ensure children are in school all week and on time. Thank you.

Friday 26th May: Last day of Term 5

Monday 5th June: Term 6 Begins

Tuesday 13th June: Whole School Photographs

Friday 16th – Sunday 18th June: Peacocks Residential Visit

Friday 23rd June - Sports Day and PTA Fundraising Events, Sports Field from 1.20pm

Saturday 1st July: Chilham Chase & Chill Event, Chilham Castle

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