



Chilham St Mary's CEP School Newsletter

Friday 13th October

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Pennies 4 Porchlight

Help porchlight by decorating Ollie and Olive's new house and saving your pennies in the box. We are proud to say that we are supporting porchlight again this year. We are going to aim to raise even more than last year so please make sure you fill your houses with pennies.

The boxes will be handed out today so please bring your coloured boxes in for next Thursday. We will hold a colouring competition for each year group and the winners will all receive a prize. The houses will be judged by school council.

Thank you, we hope to tell you soon how much money we raised.

Chairman Vice Chairwoman

Zach A Roxanne M

Harvest Service

Next week on Thursday 19th October, at 2pm, we will be holding our Harvest Service at St Mary's Church, Chilham. Please do come along and enjoy the songs and poems that our children have prepared. As a way of sharing what we have with those less fortunate we will be making a donation to the local food bank. If you would like to make a donation, these are the items that they ask for:

Breakfast cereal

Sugar (500g)

Whole milk (Long Life)

Pasta (Tinned)

Ham (Tinned)

Sweetcorn/Carrots/Peas(Tinned)

Corned Beef (Tinned)

Tuna / Fish (Tinned)

Fruit (Tinned)

Sponge pudding (Tinned)

Custard (Tinned or Carton)

Smash instant potato

Tea Bags / Coffee (small jar)

Fruit Juice (Long life)

Fruit squash

Soup (Tinned)

Cup-A-Soups

Dried rice (500g)

Dried pasta (500g)

Pasta sauce

Baked Beans (Tinned)

Rice pudding (Tinned)

Pies (Tinned)

Jam

Biscuits

Tomatoes (Tinned)

Disposable nappies/wipes

Baby food

Cat/Dog Food

Gents deodorant

Washing powder

Washing up liquid

Shaving foam

Multi-purpose cleaning

spray

Toilet cleaner

Cleaning cloths

Kitchen roll

Toilet roll

Sanitary items

Toiletries

Upcoming Cross Country Events

- Tuesday 17th October (Y 3/4), Godinton House
- Wednesday 8th November, Spring Grove
- Saturday 11th November, Kent College

More details can be found on our new Sports Page on the website under the 'Parents' tab



Wear it Wild Day

Next Friday is a national 'Wear it Wild Day'. This is an annual fundraising event to raise money to save incredible wildlife. Since 1970, populations of wild species have fallen by half. Without the tireless efforts of conservation organisations like WWF, iconic species like tigers, elephants and rhinos could become extinct in our lifetimes. Taking part in 'Wear it Wild' is a great way to raise funds, raise awareness – and have fun too. Throughout the day, our eco kids will be helping to run activities with each of the classes, and children will be learning about what they can do to help those species in danger of extinction. All you have to do is come dressed in an 'animal-themed' outfit and bring a voluntary donation of £1. Please do not feel the need to go and spend money on this outfit. It could be as simple as a t-shirt with an animal on. Thank you parents for all your continued support!

Old £1.00 Coins Deadline

Please be aware that as of Monday the old £1.00 coin can no longer be accepted for payment.

Please remember not to send these in as children **will not** be able to use them for paying for items from tuck shop. Any sent in to the office for payment will also be returned.



Pupil Premium (Free School Meals)

We would also ask that if your circumstances have changed, and you think that there is any possibility that your child may be eligible for free school meals, there is a very simple online process to check which you can complete, or Mrs Woodland is happy to complete for you. All she requires is the parent/carers name, date of birth and National Insurance number - the school are simply given a yes or no to eligibility, we are not given any further information about you or your circumstances).

The link is: <https://www.kent.gov.uk/education-and-children/schools/free-school-meals#tab-2>

This enables the school to claim valuable pupil premium funding (of which FSM eligibility is a small part) which we are unable to apply for directly. There is a letter with full details available under the letters tab on the school website homepage, and you can obtain a hard copy from the school office.

Data Collection Forms

There are still quite a few to be returned. Please can you send back to school as soon as possible to ensure the data we hold is correct.

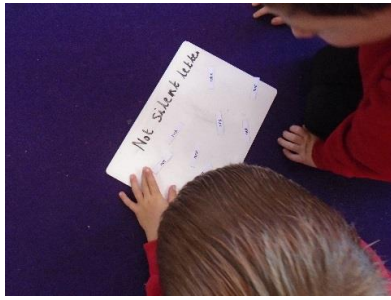
Class News



Wrens

The Wrens have been creating paintings for the Harvest Festival this week; they are so excited about showing them off. We have also focussed on the story Goldilocks and the three bears. Next week we will be porridge tasting! Thank you for all the amazing Special Book entries each week. The children are so proud to share them with the group on a Monday morning. We also love seeing the Tapestry entries from home.





Hérons

We have had a busy time in Herons carrying on our learning about dinosaurs. We conducted a lemon experiment and made volcanoes erupt!

We have been working hard in maths counting in ten's and completing number patterns.

Our English work has been continuing to look at silly poems. We have been hunting for silent letters and sorting them.

We even found time to make our own class poem which we will show off at the church next week! We were also very lucky to work with the Wrens and do some painting for fruit and vegetable baskets, too. 😊



Martins



This week in Martins we have been continuing to read Charlie and The Chocolate Factory and have started to write short poems inspired by Roald Dahl. We have also been learning about the Romans and the development of the Roman Empire as well as the Roman lifestyle.

In maths we have been using a range of methods for multiplication and using the inverse operation to check our answers.

In the middle of all this, we have managed to squeeze in lots of practice of our song, ready to 'wow' the parents at our Harvest Festival next week.

Peacocks

This week in Peacocks we have been learning about Leonardo Da Vinci. We have made story maps and timelines to help us with writing a biography about him.

In maths we are continuing with fractions, challenging ourselves with harder work.

We have also been making our own 'Vitruvian Man' pictures and measuring our body to see if we have the 'perfect proportions'.

We have enjoyed playing football in P.E in our teams (Otters, Badgers and Squirrels).

Also in art we have been making tree shadows with charcoal and using autumn colours as a background. After that Miss Harris dabbed them with golden shiny paint.





DATES FOR YOUR DIARY 2017/2018

<p><u>TERM 1</u></p> <p><u>Monday 4th September 2017</u> Children return to school</p> <p><u>Thursday 7th September</u> Year 6 PESE (11+) Tests</p> <p><u>Wednesday 18th October</u> Open afternoon for parents 3.15pm</p> <p><u>Thursday 19th October</u> Harvest Celebration at Chilham Church 2.00pm</p> <p><u>Friday 20th October</u> END OF TERM 1</p>	<p><u>TERM 2</u></p> <p><u>Monday 30th October</u> Children return to school</p> <p><u>Monday 20th November</u> Parent Consultations 3.30pm – 6.30pm</p> <p><u>Tuesday 21st November</u> Parent Consultations 3.30pm – 6.00pm</p> <p><u>Wednesday 13th December</u> Chilham Nativity at Chilham Church 2.00pm</p> <p><u>Wednesday 20th December</u> END OF TERM 2</p>	<p><u>TERM 3</u></p> <p><u>Monday 8th January 2018</u> Children return to school</p> <p><u>Monday 5th February</u> Open Afternoon for parents 3.15pm</p> <p><u>Friday 9th February</u> END OF TERM 3</p>
<p><u>TERM 4</u></p> <p><u>Tuesday 20th February</u> Children return to school</p> <p><u>Monday 26th March</u> Easter Service at Chilham Church 2pm</p> <p><u>Tuesday 27th March</u> Parent Consultations 3.30pm – 6.30pm</p> <p><u>Wednesday 28th March</u> Parent Consultations 3.30pm – 6.00pm</p> <p><u>Thursday 29th March</u> END OF TERM 4</p>	<p><u>TERM 5</u></p> <p><u>Monday 16th April</u> Children return to school</p> <p><u>Tuesday 22nd May</u> Open Afternoon for parents</p> <p><u>Thursday 24th May</u> END OF TERM 5</p>	<p><u>TERM 6</u></p> <p><u>Tuesday 5th June</u> Children return to school</p> <p><u>Thursday 7th June</u> Y5 Parent Consultations (PESE- 11+)</p> <p><u>Friday 29th June</u> Sports Day (pm)</p> <p><u>Thursday 12th July</u> Junior Performance 6.00pm</p> <p><u>Monday 23rd July</u> Leavers Assembly (pm)</p> <p><u>Tuesday 24th July</u> END OF TERM 6 AND ACADEMIC YEAR - 2PM</p>
<p><u>INSET Days 2017/2018 (Teacher Training Days)</u></p> <p>Thursday 4th January 2018 Friday 5th January 2018 Monday 19th February 2018 Friday 25th May Monday 4th June 2018</p> <p>All dates are subject to change</p>		