

Chilham St Mary's CEP School Newsletter

Friday 5th April 2019

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Dear Parents and Carers

As we come to the end of another busy term, I would like to thank you all for your continued support with your children's learning. It was lovely to see so many of you at our Easter service in the church last week and at our parents' evenings this week – I hope that you found the discussions with the class teachers useful and informative.

Despite a rather unsettled, chilly week, we had the most wonderful afternoon egg rolling at the Castle on Wednesday. The sun shone, the eggs rolled and, most importantly, we all had a great time! Our thanks to Chilham Castle for hosting and the PTA for providing the prizes. I can understand why this is such a treasured tradition at Chilham St Mary's – long may it continue 😊



Sports News

Football

Our football squad began the season with a very close and exciting game against Aldington ending in a 2-2 draw.

On the weekend 23rd March the team played really well at the Small Schools' Tournament and won our last match convincingly.

Thursday 28th March saw a very long journey to Wittersham where, despite losing 10 – 3, I can honestly say that our boys played the more exciting and skilful football. Onwards and upwards Chilham!

Our next match is set for Thursday 2nd May against Brabourne 3:50pm kick off.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank Mr Thomson and Mr Delahunt for their massive efforts with training sessions and with coaching the squad. We most definitely wouldn't be able to do it without you! THANK YOU!

Cross Country

Zoe, Ellie and Nate all competed in the National Primary School Cross Country Finals in Loughborough on Saturday 23rd March and all 3 came away with great personal results. I'm sure we all agree that this is a massive achievement and as a school community we are extremely proud of you!

SPORTS STAR



Spring Grove School Year 1 and 2 Fun Run

A massive well done goes out to Iona, Josh, Cameron, Sammy, Charlotte and Patrick who all took part in this fun event. Every one of our competitors put their all into their racing and thoroughly enjoyed getting out there and running. GREAT JOB HERON RUNNERS!

Athletics Club

Term 5 will see the return of the morning athletics club. There will be sprinting, hurdles, standing long jump, javelin and more. So come along a join in the fun.

We will be keeping a record of your times and distances to see if you can smash some PBs over the term.

Rounders Tournament Year 5/6

If you have given in your slip for the rounders tournament then please remember it takes place 4-6pm Thursday 25th April (the first week back) at Ashford School.

Please speak to Miss Harris if you have any questions about this event.

Exciting News!

We have now finalised our plans and secured a date to develop part of the grounds between Wrens and the main school building (the barked area). Pentagon Play will be installing a Pinnacle Hill Climber which will target the children's upper body and grip strength, balance and core stability; a Water Wall; a Mini Mud Kitchen alongside a Dig Pit and Rope and Pulley Materials Mover. Our aim is to improve the area to provide opportunities to really develop innovative play and stimulate creativity and problem solving. The bark will be replaced with playturf artificial grass to ensure that it can be used all year round.

In the main school garden, Pentagon Play will also be installing Pull Up Bars to go alongside the existing wooden equipment. We will then look to replace the existing equipment in another year or so (if we can secure enough funding) with something more challenging for the older children.

Do have a look at the Pentagon Play website: www.pentagonplay.co.uk
The development starts week beginning 20th May – we can't wait!

We wish you all a very Happy Easter and look forward to seeing you all at the start of term 5.

Best wishes

Delia Cooper



Dates for your Diary 2018/19

<p>TERM 1</p> <p>Monday 3rd September Children return to school</p> <p>Thursday 6th September Year 6 PESE (11+) Tests</p> <p>Friday 5th October Children in Need Ramble</p> <p>Wednesday 17th October Harvest Celebration at Chilham Church, 2.00pm</p> <p>Thursday 18th October School Photographs</p> <p>Friday 19th October END OF TERM 1</p>	<p>TERM 2</p> <p>Monday 29th October Children return to school</p> <p>Friday 2nd November Peacocks Celebration Assembly 2.00pm in Church, followed by open afternoon in school. Everyone Welcome</p> <p>Wednesday 14th November Parent Consultations 3.30pm – 6.00pm</p> <p>Thursday 15th November Parent Consultations 3.30pm – 6.00pm</p> <p>Wednesday 28th November Pantomime, Village Hall (pm)</p> <p>Sunday 2nd December Carols in the Square, 6.00pm</p> <p>Thursday 13th December Chilham Nativity at Chilham Church, 2.00pm</p> <p>Friday 14th December Christmas Fair – 2-4pm, Village Hall</p> <p>Wednesday 19th December END OF TERM 2</p>	<p>TERM 3</p> <p>Monday 7th January Children return to school</p> <p>Monday 4th February Safer Internet Parent Briefing, Martins Classroom at 3.30pm</p> <p>Friday 8th February Martins Celebration Assembly 2.00pm in Church, followed by open afternoon in school. Everyone Welcome</p> <p>Wednesday 13th February PTA Uniform & Book Sale on the playground after school.</p> <p>Thursday 14th February END OF TERM 3</p>
<p>TERM 4</p> <p>Tuesday 26th February Children return to school</p> <p>Friday 22nd March Herons Celebration Assembly 2.00pm in Church, followed by open afternoon in school. Everyone Welcome</p> <p>Friday 29th March Easter Service at Chilham Church, 2.00pm</p> <p>Wednesday 3rd April Parent Consultations 3.30pm – 6.00pm</p> <p>Thursday 4th April Parent Consultations 3.30pm – 6.00pm</p> <p>Friday 5th April END OF TERM 4</p>	<p>TERM 5</p> <p>Tuesday 23rd April Children return to school</p> <p>KS1 SATS Throughout May</p> <p>KS2 SATS 13th – 17th May</p> <p>Friday 24th May END OF TERM 5</p>	<p>TERM 6</p> <p>Tuesday 4th June Children return to school</p> <p>Friday 7th June Y5 Parent Consultations (PESE- 11+)</p> <p>Phonics Check 10th – 14th June</p> <p>Wednesday 19th June Wrens Celebration Assembly 2.00pm in Church, followed by open afternoon in school. Everyone Welcome</p> <p>Friday 21st June Sports Day (pm)</p> <p>Wednesday 26th – 28th June Year 6 Residential</p> <p>Wednesday 17th July Peacocks Performance. Village Hall at 6.00pm</p> <p>Friday 19th July Back-up Sports Day (pm)</p> <p>Monday 22nd July Leavers Assembly (pm)</p> <p>Tuesday 23rd July END OF TERM 6</p>
<p>INSET Days 2018/2019 (Teacher Training Days)</p> <p>Thursday 3rd January Monday 25th February Friday 4th January Monday 3rd June Friday 15th February</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>All dates are subject to change</i></p>		



TERM DATES 2019-2020

TERM 1

TERM STARTS:	Wednesday 4 th September (Years 1-6)
TERM FINISHES:	Friday 18 th October
STAFF DEVELOPMENT DAYS:	Monday 2 nd , Tuesday 3 rd September
New Wrens (Reception)	Home Visits 4 th & 5 th September
Mornings Only:	9 th – 11 th September
Morning and Lunch:	12 th & 13 th September (until 1 pm)
First Full Day:	16 th September

TERM 2

TERM STARTS:	Monday 28 th October
TERM FINISHES:	Wednesday 18 th December

TERM 3

TERM STARTS:	Monday 6 th January
TERM FINISHES:	Thursday 13 th February
STAFF DEVELOPMENT DAY:	Friday 14 th February

TERM 4

TERM STARTS:	Monday 24 th February
TERM FINISHES:	Tuesday 31 st March
STAFF DEVELOPMENT DAY:	Wednesday 1 st April

TERM 5

TERM STARTS:	Thursday 16 th April
TERM FINISHES:	Friday 22 nd May
BANK HOLIDAY:	Monday 4 th May

TERM 6

TERM STARTS:	Tuesday 2 nd June
TERM FINISHES:	Wednesday 22 nd July
STAFF DEVELOPMENT DAY:	Monday 1 st June
