Creativity, Excellence, Resilience

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Friday 30th September 2022

Dear Parents/Carers,

For most of this week, I've been with the Year 6 children at the Windmill Hill PGL centre and, despite the lack of sleep, it is always one of my favourite things to do each year. It is a real pleasure to see the children being pushed out of their comfort zone and attempting new challenges and I have to say that this current group of Year 6 children have been fantastic. Their behaviour and conduct on the trip has been exemplary and they've given everything a go with grace and humour, supporting each other along the way. Well done to you all. We will be placing some photos on the school website and we'll be sending the link to our Year 6 parents.

Parent Consultations

Over the next two weeks, you will have an opportunity to meet with your child's class teacher and discuss how they are settling in. As well as a discussion about how well they are settling in, class teachers will remind parents of the teacher assessments that they were given at the end of last year and, if there are any conerns in this area, raise them so that we can work together to ensure that all children are making the progress they should.

Today, books from Year 1, 4 and 5 will be coming home. Please do look through these with your children and ask them about their work and learning. Books should come back to school on Monday ready for lessons.

Books from Year 2, 3 and 6 will come home next Friday.

	Morning Slot	Afternoon Slot	Evening Slot
Year R	Tuesday 4 th October	Tuesday 4 th October	Wednesday 12 th October
	9am to 11am	2pm to 5pm	4pm to 7pm
Year 1	Thursday 6 th October	Thursday 6 th October	Wednesday 12 th October
	9am to 11am	2pm to 5pm	4pm to 7pm
Year 2	Monday 10 th October	Monday 10 th October	Wednesday 12 th October
	9am to 11am	2pm to 5pm	4pm to 7pm
Year 3	Thursday 13 th October	Thursday 13 th October	Wednesday 12 th October
	9am to 11am	2pm to 5pm	4pm to 7pm
Year 4	Wednesday 5 th October	Wednesday 5 th October	Wednesday 12 th October
	9am to 11am	2pm to 5pm	4pm to 7pm
Year 5	Monday 3 rd October	Monday 3 rd October	Wednesday 12 th October
	9am to 11am	2pm to 5pm	4pm to 7pm
Year 6	Tuesday 11 th October	Tuesday 11 th October	Wednesday 12 th October
	9am to 11am	2pm to 5pm	4pm to 7pm











Applying for Secondary Schools (Year 6 parents)

Applications for secondary schools are open and close on Monday 1st November (the link is below). If you would like any advice about this then please do not hesitate to contact me.

https://www.kent.gov.uk/education-and-children/schools/school-places/secondary-school-places#tab-2

If you are considering naming St. Anselm's as an option, they do ask that parents get a Supplementary Information Form (SIF) completed including information about faith status and/or baptism with a minister confirming regular religious practice.

Revd. Estella has offered to meet parents who wish to discuss this with her and will be holding two 'drop-in' sessions in the school on Tuesday 18th October at 2.30pm and Thursday 20th October at 8.40am. You are, of course, also welcome to speak to her on Sundays following her church services or family service at St. Peter's Church in Bridge.

Individual School Photos

Just a reminder that the school photographer is in on Tuesday 4th October. Please could children come in wearing a school jumper/cardigan? Mrs Starling sent out a ParentMail earlier this week with more details.

Art in Bridge

This weekend is the 'Art in Bridge' exhibition and the school has, once again, created two banners to celebrate the incredible artwork that is produced by the children of Bridge School over the past year. We usually have some entries in the exhibition from pupils so please do take the time to go and visit the exhibition.



Harvest Services

On Wednesday 19th October, we will be taking the children to celebrate Harvest at St. Peter's Church in Bridge. Please could we have any Harvest donations in school on the last week of term please. Children can take these directly to their classroom and we'll be hoping to deliver these to the Canterbury Food Bank on the Wednesday or Thursday.

Thank you in advance for your generosity.

With best wishes,

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James Tibbles



large nappies (sizes 5, 5+, 6, 6+)

This Harvest we would appreciate:

- instant mash
- canned potatoes
- cup soup
- long life juice
- long life whole milk
 canned ham
 - l ham

Donations can be left in our supermarket collection bins. See our website for a full list of locations.

rice pudding

instant coffee

cleaning sprays

toiletries (all)

washing up liquid

If you need support, please call 01227 936450 or email info@canterburyfoodbank.org canterburyfoodbank.org ISI2786



tinned fish

soup

tinned or powdered potato

Celebration

Star Pupils

Each Friday, we celebrate children who have impressed the adults in school either through their learning or demonstrating one of our Christian values.

- **Esther D (1CJ)** for her excellent drawing of the school in plan view. *Mrs Cork & Mrs Jones*
- Fearne D (1LA) for her fantastic drawing and labelling of her plan view of the school this week. Miss Andrews
- Darwin H (2SA) for his excellent reasoning in Maths and consistently giving his best. Mrs Amelia
- Finn H (2GD) for his positive attitude towards his learning and the compassion he shows towards his friends. Mrs Dennett
- Lyla T (3JA) for being an active learner this week by getting involved with answering questions in lessons and working hard on AR reading quizzes! *Mr Ablett*

- Aidan A (3LC) for having a brilliant week and having a positive approach towards his learning. Mr Chamberlain
- ☆ Talya Y (4AH) for fantastic descriptive writing in English this week. *Mr Taylor*
- Clara M (4ST) for developing ideas and creativity in her writing. *Mrs Tomsett*
- Evie D-S (5HA) for showing perseverance in her maths. *Miss Allison*
- Amelie T (5JS) for giving 100% in everything she does and always showing compassion towards her friends. *Miss J Smith*

News and Blogs

Highlights from the School Life section on the website.

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5JS Forest School

Yesterday, 5JS had great fun at forest school. We began by looking at pine cones and made predictions about what would happen if we put them into cold water. Some children thought they would close up and some thought they would crumble. We put a few in a bowl of water and put it to one side. We then began discussing seeds (linked to our Science topic All Living Things).



Year 6 @ PGL (Day 1)

After an uneventful journey, we all arrived safely at the PGL centre in Hailsham and the children were keen to meet 'Steve-O' their group leader and get on with their activities. This afternoon the children have had a mix of fencing, climbing and trapeze and everyone has been great at giving it their best shots. Dinner got the seal of approval from Mr Perfect (and the children!) and there were plenty of smiling faces around the table..

Upcoming Dates

All dates and events can be found on our school calendar.

CALENDAR >

Monday 3 rd Oct	Parental Consultations this week	3JA Bridge Study Walk
Tuesday 4 th Oct	School Photographer in (individual photos)	3LC Bridge Study Walk
Wednesday 5 th Oct		
Thursday 6 th Oct	Year 4 Trip to Creed	
Friday 7 th Oct	Year 4 Trip to Creed	

Monday 10 th Oct	Parental Consultations this week	
Tuesday 11 th Oct	Year 5/6 Tag Rugby @ Canterbury Academy	
Wednesday 12 th Oct		
Thursday 13 th Oct		6pm: PTA Wine & Welcome
Friday 14 th Oct		

Monday 17 th Oct	Children's Flu Vaccinations		
Tuesday 18 th Oct	Kent Test Results sent to parents		
Wednesday 19 th Oct	Harvest Services	Rev. Estella in for Year 6 form signing	
Thursday 20 th Oct	Rev. Estella in for Year 6 form signing		
Friday 21 st Oct	INSET Day School closed to pupils		

Events for Parents

I know that parents appreciate a great deal of notice for significant events in the school calendar and therefore we have created an **events** page on our school website which has important dates for the whole school year.

We will do our very best to ensure that the dates published on the website are adhered to but there may be circumstances outside our control which means that there are changes.

If there are dates of other events you would like to know then please ask and we will publish these as well.

