



School News

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SCHOOL DIARY

Friday, 4th March - World Book Day

Children may come to school dressed in a 'Magical' themed costume if they have one to celebrate 25 years since the release of the first Harry Potter book. If your child doesn't have a costume in this theme they can wear non-uniform/fancy dress.

Friday, 4th March - Partnership with Parents Group Meeting in School

Our next partnership with parents meeting will be held after our Class Worship at approximately 9.40am on Friday, 4th March. The meeting will be held in the school hall but can also be attended via zoom if this is more convenient. All parents and carers are warmly invited to attend. This term we will be talking about school reports. Feedback from previous sessions has been invaluable to us to plan how we can improve the school for your children.

Join Zoom Meeting:

Topic: Partnership with parents- reporting to parents/carers

Time: Feb 24, 2022 09:40 AM London

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us04web.zoom.us/j/78602053466?pwd=nqmPuCYuyETkzxk7Ld-oGyUzXdpr72.1>

Meeting ID: 786 0205 3466

Passcode: k1V59n

Friday, 4th March - Boys and Girls Football League Match Away to St. Faith's at Ash - Kick-off at 3.30pm

Tuesday, 8th March - Annual Primary Schools' Cross-Country Relay Event at Northbourne Park School

Thursday, 10th March - Year 3 Swimming

Friday, 11th March - NSPCC Numbers Day

Friday, 11th March - Year 6 Class Worship at 9.00am in the School Hall

Parents/carers of children in Year 6 are invited to join us for their Class Worship which will be held in the school hall at 9.00am. (Please remember to wear a face mask.)



Dance Club - South East Champions!

It is with great pleasure and joy we can announce that Dance Club won the regional finals of The Great Big Dance Off competition. We are so proud of the commitment shown by all the dancers regularly attending rehearsals and for the respect shown to each other and other teams during the competition. Our thanks also go to Miss Leishman and Mrs Wood who teach Dance Club.

Next step is the National Finals to be held in Cheltenham in July!

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Services offered by Specialist Teaching and Learning Services (STLS)

Please see the attached leaflets from Specialist Teaching and Learning Service which may be of interest to you.

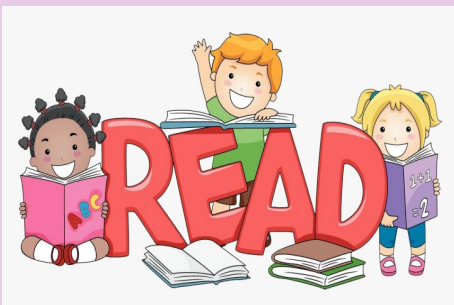


Chocolate Hamper Raffle

The school council will be selling tickets next week with a chance to win a chocolate hamper. Tickets cost 50p and will be sold at lunchtimes by the school council. All funds raised will be split between the School Council and to support those in the Ukraine - further details regarding this are to follow.

INTERNET/ONLINE SAFETY SECTION

Whilst we may be aware of the dangers of internet use there are many positives. This is the next of our features on a particular interest your child may have and positive avenues to explore to support this if they enjoy spending time online.



This week we are looking at ideas for **Avid Reader**

Your child's smartphone or tablet can become an inspirational learning tool that fires their imagination while improving their reading, vocabulary, spelling and comprehension. Mobile reading apps and audiobook libraries are worth setting some screen time aside for. As well as developing young ones' language skills they also encourage the unbridled bliss of enjoying a good story.

Apps or website you may want to look at are; Libby (used by Kent Libraries), Hoopla, Epic, Audible
Please also take a look at the 'Useful Links' page on a website for other ideas.

SCHOOL WEBSITE

Useful Links

Our school website has a 'Useful Links' page under our parents tab. On this page you kind find a direct link to a number of useful websites. This includes links to maths, reading and other curriculum websites, our YouTube channel, Kent Test information & free familiarisation papers, local community website and lots more. Why not take a look when you are next on the web!

Kind regards



Mrs Sarah Moss
Headteacher

AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS	
Week commencing 7.3.22	
MONDAY	
Ballet (3.30-4.15pm)	Yes
TUESDAY	
WEDNESDAY	
Parachute Games Club (3.30-4.00pm)	Yes
Girls Football Club (3.30-4.15pm)	Yes
THURSDAY	
Singing Club (8.00-8.35am)	Yes
Multi-Sports Club (3.30-4.30pm)	Yes
FRIDAY	
Football Club (3.30-4.30pm)	Yes



STLS Parent Clinics

The Dover Specialist Teaching and Learning Service are offering 30 minute clinic slots on the following dates:

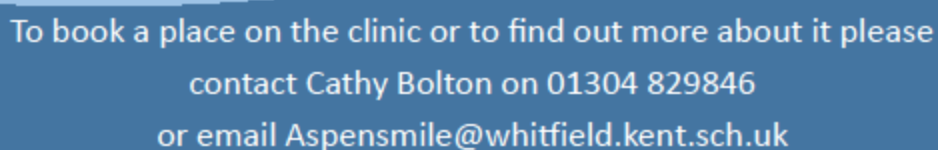
- **Wednesday 23 March 2022**
- **Thursday 19 May 2022**
- **Thursday 7 July 2022**



This clinics may be of interest to parents and carers of children, who have:

- ADHD, ODD
- challenging behaviour
- difficulty regulating their emotions
- anxiety based school avoidance
- or other emotional or mental health issues.

The clinics will be run remotely by two of the Specialist Teachers for SEMH, Karen Biggs and Tracey Cook.



To book a place on the clinic or to find out more about it please
contact Cathy Bolton on 01304 829846
or email Aspensmile@whitfield.kent.sch.uk



PARENT COFFEE GROUP

**Thursday 24 March 2022
9.30am to 11.30am**

AspenSMILE Centre, Whitfield Aspen School,
Mayfield Road, Dover, CT16 3JL

A support group for parents of children with SEN is now being run by Beckie Davis- Specialist Support Worker- Dover Specialist Teaching & Learning Service (STLS).

This is an opportunity to share concerns, problem solve and celebrate successes with other parents. A platform to share expertise and support each other!

Contact Cathy Bolton to book your place:
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