

School News

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SCHOOL DIARY



A BIG THANK YOU!

Thank you to everyone who helped make Friday evening's Bonfire and Firework's Night a big success. We hope you enjoyed the evening and thank you for your support. We would also like to thank all those parents and staff who helped before, during or after the event and also for those who made soup/cakes to be sold during the evening (please remember to collect any tins, saucepans and plates from the school office). Lastly we would like to extend a special thank you to Mrs Lucy Erasmus, PTA Chair, who organised the evening which raised an amazing £1825.27.

Friday, 8 November - Year 6 Worship at 9.00am in the School Hall - PARENT/CARERS EVENT

Parents, carers and other family members of children in Year 6 are welcome to attend.

Friday, 8 November - PTA 'Tea & Cake' Meeting at 2pm in the New Meeting Room - PARENT/CARERS EVENT

We thought it would be a great opportunity for parents and carers to get together for a chat and so there will be tea and cakes available at the informal meeting. So please come along on Friday afternoon, even if you are only able to pop in for a short while before collecting your child/children at the end of the day you would be most welcome.

Monday, 11 November - Year 5 & 6 Remembrance Day Service at 10.45am at St. Mary's Church, Eastry - PARENT/CARERS EVENT

Parents and carers are invited to join Year 5 and 6 when they attend the Remembrance Day Service at St. Mary's Church, Eastry on Monday. The service starts at 10.45am and is expected to finish at about 11.15am.

Monday, 11 November - Meeting regarding the recent Ofsted Inspection at 5.00pm in the School Hall - PARENT/ CARERS EVENT

All parents and carers are invited to attend a meeting on Monday, 11 November with Mrs Espley and the school Governors in regards to the recent Ofsted Inspection.

Thursday, 14 November - Year 4 Forest School

Please can children wear old clothes and boots, such as wellington boots, long trousers and a waterproof coat.

Thursday, 14 November - Year 3 Swimming



Friday, 15 November - 'Children in Need' 10p Day & Non-uniform Day

Children may wear non-uniform on Friday, 15 November for Children in Need 10p day. There will be competitions, stalls & activities run by the staff during the afternoon at a cost of 10p per go. We hope children will enjoy supporting this worthy cause whilst having fun in the process.

Friday, 15 November - Year 5 Worship at 9.00am in the School Hall - PARENT/CARERS EVENT

Parents, carers and other family members of children in Year 5 are welcome to attend.

OPEN MORNINGS

We have 3 Open Mornings on 18, 19 & 20 November at 9.30am for parents of children who are due to start school in Reception 2020. If you know of any families who have children starting school next year, please let them know. We also have spaces available in other year groups and so are able to take older children or families. Prior booking is not required and we very much look forward to welcoming anyone who can attend.



Fond Farewell to Mrs Fox

As you will be aware following last week's School News, Mrs Fox has decided to take early retirement after 25 years at the school. Many parents have asked whether there will be a collection for her. If you would like to donate this can be done at the school office. Thank you.



Poppies and other items such as slap-bands and wristbands are available to purchase in the school playground at the end of the day or from the school office.

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OTHER SCHOOL NEWS

Is Your Child Due to Start School Next September?

Applications for a place in Reception in September 2020 opened on the 5 November and can be made by visiting www.kent.gov.uk/schooladmissions. Applications close on 15 January 2020. We would like to remind parents that, even if you have a child already in the school, you still need to make an application for any younger siblings. If you have any friends or family with children due to start school next year, please do let them know about our school. They would be very welcome to visit us during our Open Mornings as mentioned above.

Winter is here!

As we all know the English weather can be very unpredictable and the day may start sunny but then turn wet and windy. With this in mind please can I ask that **all** children bring a coat to school with them **every day.** Some children have also been complaining of cold hands so perhaps a hat, scarf and gloves can also be provided if your child would like them.

Flu Immunisation Programme

School nurses will be in school on Monday, 2 December to undertake the Nasal Flu Immunisation Programme. Letters from the NHS were emailed and a paper copy sent home with all children on Monday giving further details about how to consent for your child to have the vaccination. Please note the NHS consent portal closes 7 days before the 2 December and they cannot accept late consents.

Shoes left in with Teddies!

A pair of ladies shoes has been found in the bottom of bag of cuddly toys donated to the Teddy Hoopla. If these may be yours please ask at the school office.

PTA NEWS

Children's Christmas Disco and Fun Evening

The PTA are hosting this event on 6 December (**Fledglings, Year 1 & 2 - 3.30 to 4.30pm** and **Year 3, 4, 5 & 6 4.45 to 5.45pm**). Tickets will cost £2.00 and include unlimited drinks. There will be a tuck shop, lots of fun games, stalls selling small things including glow sticks and face painting. We will inform you when tickets are available which can be purchased from the school office.

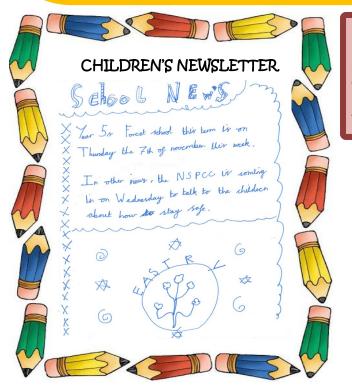
Christmas Shopping Week

During lunchtimes week commencing 2 December the PTA will be selling and wrapping small gifts for family members costing between 50p and £3.00. Please make sure your child brings any money in a named purse/wallet.

Bags2School

Don't forget that the Bags2School will be collected on Monday, 9 December for any unwanted clothes, shoes, hats, belts, handbags, soft toys, bedding, curtains and towels (they do not accept duvets, cushions or pillows). Please bring bags to school on the morning of 9 December and leave on the grass verge in the car park (or in the hall if wet). Empty bags will be sent home shortly or your own bags can be used. The more items donated the more money the PTA will make for the school.

If you are able to help at any of the above events please let Mrs Erasmus or the school office know.



INTERNET SAFETY SECTION

Encourage your child to go online and explore! There is a wealth of age-appropriate sites online for your children. Encourage them to use sites which are fun, educational and that help them to develop online skills.

AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS	
Week commencing 11.11.2019	
MONDAY	
Cooking Club	Yes
Dance Club	Yes
TUESDAY	
Golf Club	Yes
Fun, Indoor Games	NO
Netball	Yes
Science	Yes
WEDNESDAY	
THURSDAY	
Multisport Club	Yes
Running Club	Yes
Art Club	Yes
Football Team	
Practice	NO
FRIDAY	
Football Club	Yes
If you are interested in joining any of	

our After School Clubs, please ask at the school office – thank you.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs Kate Espley Headteacher

AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS - FURTHER INFORMATION

Please note there will be no Fun, Indoor Games Club on Tuesday or Football Team Practise on Thursday.