



School News

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SCHOOL DIARY



Friday, 9 November - PTA Bonfire and Fireworks Night

The PTA Bonfire and Fireworks night will be held this Friday. There will be lots of stalls selling food and other items as well as a chocolate, bottle and teddy tombola. Gates open at 5.30pm, bonfire is lit at 6.15pm and the fireworks display will begin at 7.00pm.

Tickets are on sale from the school office in advance at a price of £4.00 per adult, £2.00 for non Eastry School children with Eastry pupils going free! (On the door prices are £5.00 per adult and £3.00 per child.)

HELP PLEASE!

If you are able to help during the day to set up, at the event manning a stall, or stay to help clear up after, please let the school office or a member of the PTA know.

The PTA would also welcome donations of cakes which can be brought to school on the morning of 9 November together with any milk bottle tops that you may have been collecting for the event.

Please note there is no Football Club because of Fireworks Night.

PARKING

Last year Eastry Fire Service were unable to get their Fire Engine to the event because cars had parked irresponsibly in the roads leading to the school. This meant they had to walk from the Fire Station, with water packs, to light the fire, delaying the start of the bonfire and fireworks display. This would also have meant that an ambulance or other emergency service would not have been able to reach the school or local residence had there been an emergency. Please can I ask that you park responsibly when attending this event and would remind you that there is a free car park in the town.

Monday, 12 November - Family and Individual School Photographs

We are pleased to announce that we are using a new company to take our photographs this year. We hope that this will provide parents with the same quality of photograph but will be better value for money. The company is used by another local school who are very pleased with their photographs and we hope parents will be equally as pleased with theirs. Family photographs for children with pre-school brothers, sisters and/or parents will be at 8.30am in the school hall. **ALL** children will have an individual photograph and one with their brothers/sisters during school time. These could make ideal Christmas presents!



Please note that there will be no Sensory Circuits on Monday, 12 November as the hall is being used for the school photographs.

Monday, 12 to Friday 16, November - Anti-Bullying Week

The school will be taking part in Anti-Bullying week next week and are **inviting children to wear odd socks to school on Monday, 12 November if they wish.** Odd Sock Day, as part of Anti-bullying week, is designed to be fun for the children giving them an opportunity to express themselves and celebrate their individuality.

SCHOOL DIARY - Cont'd

Tuesday, 13 November - Year 3 Swimming

Tuesday, 13 November - Fledglings Parents Workshop at 2.00pm in the Fledglings Classroom

Parents and carers of children in Fledglings are invited to come along and experience some of our learning activities alongside your child. If your child has a younger sibling, they are also welcome to attend.

Friday, 16 November - Year 2 Family Worship at 9.00am in the School Hall

Family and friends of children in Year 2 are welcome to attend.



Friday, 16 November - Children in Need 10p Day

Friday, 16 November is Children in Need and we will be holding a 10p day. There will be competitions, stalls & activities run by the staff during the morning at a cost of 10p per go. We hope children will enjoy supporting this worthy cause. Please note that all funds raised will be split equally between Children in Need and the NSPCC.

OTHER SCHOOL NEWS

Is Your Child Due to Start School Next September?

Applications for a place in Reception in September 2019 have now opened and can be made by visiting www.kent.gov.uk/schooladmissions. Applications close on 15 January 2019. 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 if they have not done so already.

Proposed Changes to Admissions Arrangements

Kent Country Council is proposing changes to the admissions arrangements for all Community and Voluntary Controlled Schools in Kent, to take effect from the September 2020 intake. The proposed change, which would effect our school's admissions arrangements, is to provide priority to children adopted from outside of England (the current criteria only applies to children that were in care in England).

Consultations run until 10 December and full details can be found by visiting www.kent.gov.uk/admissionscriteria. Paper copies can be obtained by telephoning 03000412121.



The Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal

The school will be selling Poppies and other items for this years Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal. These will be sold by Year 6 at lunchtimes until Friday, 9 November.

WW1 Plaque Unveiling



Lest We Forget

All parents and children are invited to the unveiling of a WW1 plaque in the Gun Park on Sunday, 11 November at 9.30am. There will be a short service held for the unveiling which takes place between the scout hut and entrance to the skate park.

OTHER COMMUNITY NEWS

Foodbank Vouchers Available in School

We would like to remind parents that the school is able to issue vouchers for the Deal Area Foodbank. The Foodbank offers up to 3 days food and provisions for families facing an emergency or financial hardship. Any request for a voucher will be dealt with in the strictest of confidence and enquiries can be made by speaking to Mrs Thomas, Family Liaison Officer or asking at the school office.



CONGRATULATIONS TO THE FOLLOWING	
'WORKER OF THE WEEK' FRIDAY, 2 NOVEMBER 2018	
Fledglings	Ella Thomson
Year 1	Allie-Rose Drury
Year 2	Dexter Grant
Year 3	Noah Smith
Year 4	Rebecca Mitchell
Year 5	Logan Moor
Year 6	Georgia-Jessica Broome

AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS	
Week commencing 12.11.18	
MONDAY	
Netball Club	Yes
TUESDAY	
Golf Club	Yes
WEDNESDAY	
THURSDAY	
Kurling Club	Yes
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,

Tim Halling
Headteacher