



Friday 27th May 2022

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COVID RELATED NEWS

What to do if your child has symptoms of Covid-19

Your child should try to stay at home and avoid contact with other people if they have symptoms of COVID-19 and they either:

- 1- have a high temperature.
- 2- do not feel well enough to go to school or do their normal activities

They can come back to school when they feel better or do not have a high temperature.

If your child has mild symptoms such as a runny nose, sore throat or mild cough, and they feel well enough, they can come to school.

It was lovely to see so many Year 3 parents attend the singing event yesterday. For the children to perform in front of such a large audience was a worthwhile and impressive achievement. Today in our celebration assembly, they performed again in front of the whole school; it was a pleasure to see their confidence and enjoyment.

Thank you to all those parents who attended the Year 3, 4 & 5 Parents Evenings, this week. We received some lovely feedback from many happy parents who had valued the opportunity to talk with the class teachers and to look through some of the work in their child's books. Despite the effect of the pandemic on learning, it is great to see the progress that has been made this year.

It is hard to believe that we are at the end of term 5 already but I think that everyone is ready for the break! With the Queen's Platinum Jubilee celebrations and so many events taking place in and around Herne Bay, I am sure that there will be something for everyone to enjoy during half-term. In school, we will be having our own celebration day on Wednesday 22nd June; further details will be shared in the new term.

Term 6 begins on Tuesday 7th June for the children.
The last day of the school year is Thursday 21st July and the children will finish at the usual times:
3:05pm for Year 5&6
3:15pm for Years 3&4

ATTENDANCE

Our current attendance to date is 93.72%. Last week's attendance was 92.33%.
Well done to 4MC for achieving 97.6%.
There are still 44 children remaining in the 100 club.
There are currently 129 children whose cumulative attendance is 98% or above.

It has been a long time since we were able to celebrate a class with 100% attendance; I hope that we will gain the opportunity to, in the final term of the school year.

HOUSE POINTS

This week's House Point winners is Blue House with 251.
Red House came a very close 2nd with 250.
Green House came 3rd with 234.
Yellow House came 4th with 229.

Each week points are accumulated and at the end of term the overall winning House is announced.

The winning House for Term 5 is... **BLUE!**
The prize is for all children in Blue House to attend school in non-uniform on Tuesday 7th June.

Please note that non-uniform day will be for this House ONLY.

TEACHING & LEARNING

Year 4 Multiplication Tables Check

From next year, Year 4 children across the country will be required to sit a Multiplication Tables Check (MTC) to test their recall of their times tables up to 12x12. This year, schools were invited to take part optionally, which we elected to do. Children in Year 4 have already completed a trial test and will be completing the actual test on Thursday 9th June. Please see the attached information sheet which includes details of the test along with information on how the results will be used.

Year 5 - Registration for the Kent Test opens next week

Children in Year 5 who may wish to attend a Grammar school from September 2023 must register for the Kent Test. Registration is not automatic and children cannot sit the test if they are not registered. Registration opens on Wednesday 1 June (next week) and closes at midnight on Friday 1 July. To register

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online, go to: <https://www.kent.gov.uk/education-and-children/schools/school-places/kent-test>

If you are unable to register online, please contact the school office after half term who will be able to help.

INCLUSION TEAM NEWS

EWT Online Parent Workshops for Term 6

The Emotional Wellbeing Team are running five online workshops throughout term 6 (we have attached the poster, including dates, to this newsletter). More details on each workshop will be shared nearer the date of each one. If you have any questions regarding any of them, please speak to Mrs Edwards.

#WAKEUPWEDNESDAY

What parents need to know about cross platform sharing of inappropriate content

Creepy characters like Slender Man or Huggy Wuggy. Dangerous online challenges. Songs or videos that aren't suitable for youngsters. When things like these begin trending online, it can be difficult to prevent children accidentally stumbling across them – especially if they use a range of platforms, like online games, social media, streaming sites or messaging apps. A trend can originate in one online space and rapidly spread to other platforms or via chat apps. The frightening Huggy Wuggy character, for instance, first emerged as part of a game on Steam; now there are parody songs on TikTok, videos on YouTube and more than 45,000 results for #huggywuggy on Instagram. In the guide attached to the newsletter, you'll find tips on a number of potential risks such as accidental exposure, inappropriate language and unsuitable videos.

INCLUSION BEAR

Nominations-

This week, Mrs Dixon had the pleasure of accompanying 4MC to roller skating. They were all extremely well behaved and polite and did HBJs proud. Mrs Dixon said "I would like to nominate Isla and Ollie for Patch. They both spent a large amount of their time helping class members that were finding skating difficult and were both so kind and supportive of those children; it was truly touching. They gave up their own skating time to support classmates that were not their close friends but they could see they needed extra encouragement."

Mrs Easton nominated Archie Walker 6CS, "who always (without fail) shows the greatest respect to the adults around him. He asks how we are. He wishes us good evenings and weekends. He always acknowledges staff in the corridor. He pays kind and thoughtful compliments." Mrs Easton said "He is not in my class, but I really do hold him in high regard as a polite, thoughtful and very kind young man".

Kiera nominated Hollie in 5EW. Keira said "I would like to nominate Hollie because when I am alone, she always comes over to see if I am ok. She also gives me nice compliments to cheer me up. I am lucky to have a special friend like Hollie".

Awarded to-

Immie, in 3BW, nominated Seth. Immie said "On Monday I was upset and Seth came over and asked what was wrong. He let me play with his special toy and sat with me the whole of lunch and made me laugh"

ROCKING READERS

This week's Rocking Readers are 4WK! The children in this class have worked together achieving an average quiz score of 80% which they have attained all term. In addition, they have recently improved their average minutes to be in line with the school expectation of 15+ minutes each day. Well done!

The Meerkat winners with no books outstanding in the library are 6CS and 6SE.

As we do at the end of every term, class teachers announced the name of the child in their class that they highlight for success in reading. Certificates were awarded in assembly this morning to the following children:

3AR Alex Stumpf, 3WH Athena Crick, 3CC Ruben Hodder,
3BW Tilly Rolfe
4WK Lily Peek, 4MC Isla Humphreys-Scarman, 4IK William Leeks, 4HO Darcy White
5EW Mary-Ann, 5BP Connor Pressley-Ward, 5JN Dahli Mills-Davidson, 5KD Hayden Cracknell.
6CS Max Willis, 6BR Azaria Aladegbami, 6LS Isla Maling, 6SE Sarah O'Reilly

The winners of the 100% Quiz prize for each year group is as follows:

Year 3 – Shruti Chinnien
Year 4 – Ruby Lincoln
Year 5 – Willow Couldwell
Year 6 – Noah Hewson

HALF TERM MULTI-SPORTS CLUB

Inclusive Sports will be offering a Multi-Sports Club for children this half term. Please see the attached flyer for details which includes a link to book places.

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STAR OF THE WEEK

Well done to the following children for being identified as this week's Stars of the Week.

3AR Faith Gale
3BW Imogen Mortlock-Allan
3CC Connor Clarke
3WH Pariya Hothi

4HO Evan Law
4IK Isabella
4MC Tyler Woods-Barlow
4WK Ava-Rose Draper

5BP Harry Stuckey
5EW Rebecca Wenban
5JN Jackson Saunders
5KD Jesse Baker

6CS Toby Hanley
6BR Harold Levermore
6LS Jennifer
6SE Rhys Voysey

I wish everyone a sunny and happy half-term holiday break!

With my best wishes,



Melody Kingman
Headteacher

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