



Dear parents and carers,

A huge thank you to all the parents who joined us at our Easter service at St Nicholas Church last week. It was so good to see so many of our families filling the church in such an important Christian event. I know the children were so grateful to see so many family members present as they took part to see them with their singing, readings and prayers – it's days such as these which means so much to the children.

This terms value of 'Respect'

The value of respect in school cannot be undersold. Respect can be defined as allowing yourself and others to do and be their best.

A lack of respect can completely undermine the mission of teaching and learning. All individuals involved within our school - including teachers, staff members, pupils, parents & visitors are expected to demonstrate the value of respect within our school and to each other.

Pupils and teachers especially are expected to greet each other with kind words and pupil/teacher exchanges should be friendly, in an appropriate tone.

All adults and pupils at school are expected to use the following words that show respect for another person at the appropriate times when addressing each other:

- Please / Thank You
- You're Welcome / Excuse Me
- May I Help You

I wonder how often we find ourselves being respectful outside school?

Bank Holiday – Please remember the school will be closed to pupils and staff on **Monday 1st May** as this is a national Bank Holiday.

After School Clubs – Letters will be sent out to parents via your child this weekend, reminding parents and carers of the after-school club choices we have on offer. We are fortunate to be able to offer over 10 clubs this term. We would like parents to return their forms as soon as possible to avoid the disappointment of your child not being able to join the club they would like.

Yours sincerely

Christopher Dale
Headteacher

Dates for your diary

April

Fri 28th

PTA BINGO evening – all adults welcome from 6:45pm Big Cash Prizes.

May

Mon 1st

Bank Holiday - School closed to all.

Tues 2nd

KS1 SATs start
12:30pm – Y2 football at The Marsh Academy.

Thurs 4th

Y5 - 1 group Dodgeball at school & 1 group Pop Lacrosse at The Marsh Academy
YR Balanceability

Fri 5th

King's Coronation Lunch

Mon 8th

Bank Holiday – School closed to all

Tues 9th

KS2 SATs all week with breakfast at 8:00am

Thurs 11th

YR Balanceability all day
Y5 Volleyball

Wed 17th

12:30pm – Y5/6 Girls football tournament

Thurs 18th

9:15am Y2/3 Ascension Day service at Church – all welcome
Y5 Volleyball

Fri 19th

Marsh Academy - Teachers to see Y6 pupils

Thurs 25th

YR Balanceability

Fri 26th

End of Term

June

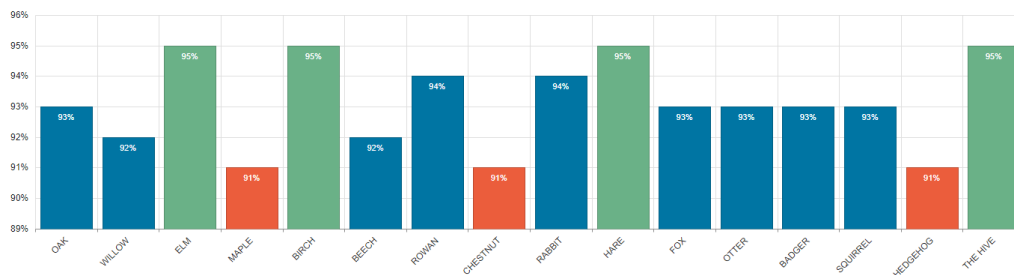
Mon 5th

Children return to school

Attendance – Every Day Counts

Thank you to everyone who has been sending their children to school every day. We are aiming for 96% attendance. Our whole school attendance for this point in the year is 92.9%

Well done to all these classes have attendance of 94% or above



This term's collective worship focus is on our value:
RESPECT

“Be devoted to one another in love. Honour one another above yourselves.”

Romans 12 :10

How have we honoured someone else today?



Attendance update

The [Summary table of responsibilities for school attendance](#) from the DfE, makes it clear that while some pupils find it harder than others to attend school, it is the parents responsibility to ensure their child attends every day - and on time.

Awards This Week



Star of the Week Awards went to:

Badger: Archie H, **Rabbit:** Charlie B, **Chestnut:** Ricco Q, **Beech:** Oliver A, **Maple:** Harley J, **Elm:** Samuel R



Reader of the Week Awards went to:

Squirrel: Jessie J, **Otter:** Viki D, **Fox:** Albie D, **Hare:** Ethan M, **Rowan:** Frankie B & Jaiton F, **Birch:** Sophia D, **Willow:** Harry H, **Oak:** Lehel K



This week's birthdays:

Levie A, Harley C, Bonnie M, Chase R, Harry A, Violet W, Cal C, Luna U – many happy returns to you all!



King Charles III Coronation Celebrations - On Friday 5th May we will mark the King's Coronation with a special celebration lunch. Hopefully the weather will be with us and we will be able to have this outdoors. If not, we are prepared for it to take place indoors.

We are delighted to let parents know that whatever the weather - the PTA will provide every child a special commemorative leather bookmark for the occasion.

Teachers Industrial Action – Tuesday 2nd May 2023

I would like to thank parents for their understanding with regards to the industrial action which has taken place this week.

As we have explained previously, the industrial action is a national dispute between the Government and Teachers Unions.

It is our intention, based on the information I have available, for ***the whole school to be open as normal*** on Tuesday after the Bank Holiday.

Would you like to join our team?



We are currently looking for a **Lunchtime Assistant** to join our team. If you enjoy working with children and would like to work in a friendly primary setting then this could be the role for you.

Do you have good communication skills with children and the ability to create a positive environment, while maintaining trust and confidentiality?

If you do, we would love to hear from you. [Please make your application via Kent-Teach](#)

Kent County Council Clean Air Campaign

Leaving engines idling while cars are stationary has a huge impact on our health.

Help keep your children and their classmates safe and healthy by turning off your car if you are waiting for more than one minute during school pick up times.



PARENT TEACHER ASSOCIATION

Could offer time to help at PTA events?

If so we would love to hear from you. Please pass on your details to the school office. It would be great to have more parents who would be willing to support us at events and functions. We look forward to hearing from you.



Future events from the PTA include:

- **Friday 28th April – Spring Bingo – Arrive at 6:45pm**
Eyes down at 7pm (this is a parent only event)
People are welcome to book tables and bring their own food and drink for this event or if you have not already done so please feel welcome to come along and join us.
- **Summer Car Boot – June 2023** watch out for more details soon.
- **School Summer Fair – Saturday 8th July 11:00am onwards - If you would like to help support us with this event we would love to hear from you!**

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