

Term 4 – 5<sup>th</sup> March 2018

# Mersham Primary School

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The weather last week was a challenge for all of us and I would like to thank you all for your understanding when I made the decision to shut the school for two days, for health and safety reasons. I would also like to thank the staff, many of whom made it into school despite difficult journeys. Hopefully Spring is now on its way!

Mrs C Chalkley  
Headteacher

## Parents Evening

The Tuesday parents evening that was missed due to the bad weather has been rescheduled to next Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> March. All appointment times will remain the same as were previously booked and a note will come out to you in the next couple of days confirming that appointment. If you are now unable to make that time, please see your child's class teacher to organise an alternative mutually convenient time.

## PTA News & Updates

### Dates for your diary:

**Friday 9<sup>th</sup> March - Non School Uniform Day:** In turn for not having to wear school uniform, we ask that you please bring in an Easter Egg donation for the Easter Egg Bingo! Donations will be collected on the school gates.

Easter Egg Bingo: Come and join in the bingo fun and win an Easter Egg!

Friday 16<sup>th</sup> March – KS1 3.30pm

Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> March - KS2 3.30pm

## Upcoming Events

9 <sup>th</sup> Mar	Non-Uniform Day – for Easter Egg Bingo
12 <sup>th</sup> Mar	Science Week
16 <sup>th</sup> Mar	KS1 Easter Egg Bingo
23 <sup>rd</sup> Mar	KS2 Easter Egg Bingo
23 <sup>rd</sup> Mar	Easter Service –9:45am
29 <sup>th</sup> Mar	End of Term 4
16 <sup>th</sup> April	Start of Term 5
17 <sup>th</sup> April	PTA Meeting – 7pm
7 <sup>th</sup> May	Bank Holiday
14 <sup>th</sup> May	SATS week for Yr 6
21 <sup>st</sup> May	Year 6 Residential wk
25 <sup>th</sup> May	End of Term 5
4 <sup>th</sup> June	Staff Training Day
5 <sup>th</sup> June	Start of Term 6
11 <sup>th</sup> June	Maths Week
13 <sup>th</sup> July	Sports Day
20 <sup>th</sup> July	End of Term 6
23/24 July	Staff Training Days

## Reading Award

Well done to Donaldson class (Year R) who have won the reading award this week with a huge total of 96% of children in the class reading three times or more during the week. This was closely followed by Ahlberg class (Year 4) with 70%, and Kinney class (Year 3) who achieved 52%.

## Class Assemblies for Terms 3 and 4

These assemblies will be performed at 9:05am in the school hall. Dates are as follows: **Please note the new date for the Year 4 Assembly.**

8<sup>th</sup> March : Kinney class (Year 3)

15<sup>th</sup> March : Ahlberg Class (Year 4)

22<sup>nd</sup> March :Attenborough Class (Year1)

### The Who's Who of the PTA

Meet the parents who plan and run the events that raise vital funds for the school.

Please join us at the next meeting on Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> February at The Farriers Arms at 8pm.

We look forward to meeting you.



I'm Carrie, currently the PTA Chair. I am Mum to Lauren in Year 6 so I am coming to the end of my time at Mersham after 15 years. I also have two sons Scott aged 19 and Ross aged 14. I initially joined the PTA to make friends when Scott was in Class 1 and I'm still here having fun. In that time I have served hundreds of cups of tea & coffee and made some wonderful friends.



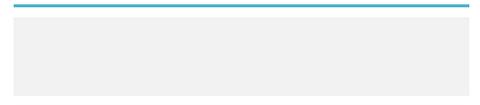
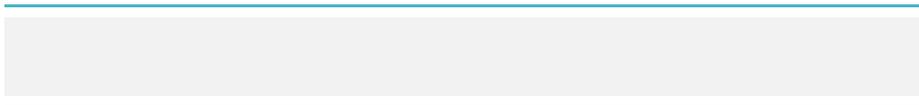
Hi, I'm Louise – Mum to Freddie in Year 3 and George in Year 1. I originally joined the PTA to help at the various fairs, but it's such a lovely bunch of girls that I've become more involved and realised how important it is to give back to the school, not only to help raise much needed funds, but to make our children's primary years fabulous fun.



Hi, I'm Charlie, Mum to Reade in Year 5 and Scarlett in Year 2. I'm self-employed and train people who want to become cabin crew but still love helping with PTA events. Everyone is so friendly and we always have a laugh! You are always made to feel welcome and any new ideas are gratefully received.



I'm Claire, currently PTA secretary and Mum to Cameron in Year 2 and Rafferty in Year 1. I was a pupil of Mersham school too and have really fond memories of my time here. I joined the PTA to give back to the school, get to know more people and hopefully help my sons build their own fond memories.





Hi, I'm Hayley. Mum to Connor in Year 4 and Esme in Year R. Connor only started Mersham at the end of Year 3 so we haven't been here long. The support we have received has been amazing. I joined the PTA to make friends and put something back into the school. So glad we chose Mersham.



I'm Lou, Mum to Harrison in Year 5 and Alice in Year 7 at Highworth. I run my own vegan Health and Wellness business. We moved to Kent last summer and I joined the PTA to make friends, feel part of the community and give back. And that is exactly what has happened. The funds raised at these events are vital to the school and we have lots of fun in the process.



Hi, I'm Sally, Mum to Elena in Year 1. I have only just started to get involved with the PTA, having done a swap with my husband Laurence who has been a member since Elena started Mersham. I am a working Mum and have a 2 year old son, so don't have as much time as I would like to help at events, but there is plenty to do and value to add behind the scenes. It is great to see how the money is used to benefit our children and their experience at Mersham.



Hi, I'm Natalie, a "regular helper" for the PTA. I always wanted to help and be part of the school PTA since my daughter (now in Year 4) started at school but it's not been until my son (now in Year 1) started at school that I have free hands to help. Now a busy working Mum I still don't have as much time as I would like but it doesn't matter as the PTA make me feel welcome and are grateful for any help or ideas I can contribute.



I'm Lindsey – Mama to Oscar in Reception and Darcey who is 3 and will become a Mersham pupil in the future! I joined the PTA once Oscar was settled into Reception. We had just moved to the village and I wanted to help as much as I could during fundraising activities for the school and get to know fellow Mummies and Daddies as we will be here for a while! It's great to have a strong dedicated team of the PTA members and everyone has common goal – to raise more funds to benefit our children.

