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Term 5 – 20<sup>th</sup> May 2019

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# Mersham Primary School

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**Well done to all those in Year 6 for all their hard work and concentration during the Statutory Assessment Tests (SATs) last week. I have no doubt that their SATs breakfast helped keep their energy levels up and I would like to thank Mr Ives and Mrs Mulligan for getting that organised for them each morning.**

**Mrs C Chalkley  
Headteacher**

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## Staffing News

We are very sorry to be losing Mrs Mingo at the end of this term. Mrs Mingo has made the decision to return to Germany to be nearer family. We would like to thank her for all her hard work in her role as TA in both Year 5 and 6 over the past few years and we wish her all the very best for the future. We will be recruiting to replace Mrs Mingo for September but in the meantime, Mrs Solomon will be assisting in Year 6 as needed.

## Sex and Relationships Education (SRE) Presentations to Parents

Thank you to all those of you who returned slips requesting more information about SRE teaching across the school. We will be running two information sessions for parents who would like to know more:

Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> May at 3:30pm and Friday 24<sup>th</sup> May at 9:05am. Both presentations will be in the hall.

## PESE Presentation (Current Year 5 parents only)

There will be a presentation for Year 5 parents only on Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> June at 3:30pm in the classroom to explain the Process of Entry to Secondary Education (PESE). This will include information about the Kent Test.

## Sporting News

### ADPSSA Netball Tournament

The Mersham netball team took part in the Ashford netball tournament on Saturday morning. The team played fantastically well in the group matches, winning 2 and narrowly losing 2 matches. This meant that they came third overall in their section and went on to play off for 5<sup>th</sup> or 6<sup>th</sup> place overall. The final match was against Aldington and was extremely close. The Mersham team didn't give up and eventually won by just one goal, meaning that they came 5<sup>th</sup> overall. Well done to all of the players - you showed great skill, teamwork and lots of

## Upcoming Events

23/24 May	SRE Presentations
24 <sup>th</sup> May	End of Term 5
3 <sup>rd</sup> June	Start of Term 6
7 <sup>th</sup> June	Non-uniform Day items for Summer Fair
11 <sup>th</sup> June	PESE Presentation 3:30pm (Yr 5 only)
13 <sup>th</sup> June	Tea on the Field
13 <sup>th</sup> June	New Yr R New Entrants Meeting for parents
24 <sup>th</sup> June	Wellbeing Week
28 <sup>th</sup> June	Sports Day and Summer Fair
16/17 <sup>th</sup> Jul	Year 6 Production
19 <sup>th</sup> July	End of Term 6

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## Reading Award

Well done to Churchill and Ahlberg Class (Year 4) who have won the reading award this week with a total of 92% of children in the class reading three times or more during the week. This was closely followed by Churchill class (Year 6) 84% and Kinney class (Year 3) with 81%.

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determination. A big thank you should also go to Miss Napolitano for the time she gives up and fantastic work that she does with the netball squad - they clearly love it! Mrs Maher

### **Sportshall Athletics**

We took a team of Year 3 and Year 4 children to Sportshall Athletics competition at the Stour Centre and placed 5th out of 10 schools! The children took part in different track and field events, such as relays, speed bounces and javelin. The children worked really hard during the training sessions with Mr Oatham and it really paid off. They collaborated well during the team relays and tried their best during their individual events too. All of the children behaved beautifully during the event and showed team spirit and good sportsmanship. Well done to all of the children who took part in the event. Miss Fitzgerald

### **Class Assemblies for Terms 5 and 6**

These assemblies will be performed at 9:05am in the school hall. **Please note that Churchill and Ahlberg class have now swapped dates due to an event that Year 6 are attending on the 20<sup>th</sup> June.**

Dates are as follows:

23<sup>rd</sup> May : Hawking class (Year 5)

**13<sup>th</sup> June : Churchill class (Year 6)**

27<sup>th</sup> June : Kinney class (Year 3)

18<sup>th</sup> July : Donaldson class (Year R)

6<sup>th</sup> June : Attenborough class (Year 1)

**20<sup>th</sup> June : Ahlberg class (Year 4)**

11<sup>th</sup> July : Nightingale class (Year 2)

### **Term Dates 2019-20**

We have (along with some other schools in the CARE Foundation Trust) made the decision to adjust our term dates next year to allow for a longer holiday in May. Please note that this is for ONE YEAR ONLY and will not necessarily occur in future years. I am aware that this will probably suit some families but perhaps not all, however it has been agreed we will trial it on this occasion.

#### **Term 1**

Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> September – Friday 18<sup>th</sup> October

Staff Development Day - Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> September

#### **Term 2**

Monday 28<sup>th</sup> October – Friday 20<sup>th</sup> December

#### **Term 3**

Monday 6<sup>th</sup> January – Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> February

Staff Development Day - Friday 14<sup>th</sup> February

#### **Term 4**

Monday 24<sup>th</sup> February – Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup> March

Staff Development Day - Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> April

#### **Term 5**

Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> April – Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> May

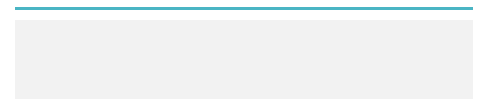
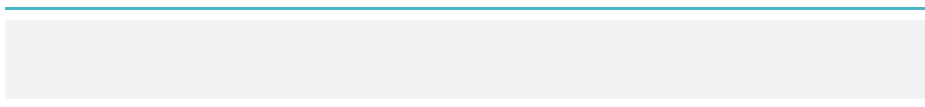
Bank Holiday – Monday 4<sup>th</sup> May

#### **Term 6**

Monday 8<sup>th</sup> June – Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> July

Staff Development Days – Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> and Friday 5<sup>th</sup> June

**Parents of Year 5 Pupils – Norton Knatchbull Open Evening**





## PTA News & Updates

### JARBOLA DONATIONS – THIS FRIDAY!

We will be collecting filled jars at both drop off and pick up. For each filled jar received you will be given a raffle ticket to redeem an ice pole at that afternoon's ice cream Friday!

#### Dates for diaries:

Friday 7 June – non uniform day, in exchange for summer fair donations (see below)

Thursday 13 June – cream tea event

Friday 28 June – summer fair

## NON-SCHOOL UNIFORM DAY FRIDAY 7<sup>TH</sup> JUNE!

Children are invited to come in their own clothes to school.

In return the PTA are asking for donations for the:



Sports Tombola - **bring an item of sports equipment to win on the sports**

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**tombola stall.**

**Barrow of Booze** – bring any item of booze to go in the raffle & win the contents of the wheelbarrow.

**We will be collecting at the school gates on the Friday morning.**

**Thanks so much!** 

