
Term 3 – 5th January 2024

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Happy New Year and welcome back to term 3! I hope you all had an enjoyable break over the festive season.

At this time of year, please can you ensure that your children are coming in with coats, hats and gloves dependent on the weather especially as it is very changeable at the moment. Please can you also ensure that all items of clothing are named so that we can return misplaced items to their rightful owners!

**Cheryl Chalkley
Headteacher**

Upcoming Events

3 rd Jan	Start of term 3
Wk beg 8 th Jan	Swimming starts for Yrs 4 and 5
7 th Feb	Walk in Wednesday
9 th Feb	End of term 3
19 th Feb	Start of term 4
27/28 Feb	Parents Evenings
6 th Mar	Walk in Wednesday
28 th Mar	End of Term 4

Staffing

I would like to formally welcome Miss Emily Maher to the staff team who will be teaching in Year 2. Both the children in Year 2 and in Year 5 (where Mrs Maher is now teaching) have adapted well to the changes this week, which is fantastic. In addition, we welcome Ms Wolstenholme as a teaching assistant in upper Key Stage 2. Mr Horton, the trainee teacher in Year 6 is completing an alternative placement in another school this term so won't be back with us until term 4.

Emotional Wellbeing Teams

Back in early December, I sent all parents information about the Emotional Wellbeing Teams that will be regularly working at the school with some of our families. Bridget Valle will be the key person within the school and she will be starting to work with families very soon – leaflets can be found in the school office if you would like further information.

Change in school hours

Please make sure you have read the letter sent at the start of this week regarding the change in school hours from the start of term 6. If you have any comments regarding the proposals, please email Mrs Chalkley on headteacher@mersham.kent.sch.uk

Netball Club – message from Lauren and Alana Conlon

We have decided that Netball club will not restart in Term 3 but will resume Term 4. With the dark evenings and the changeable weather, it seems sensible to start nearer Spring to avoid cancellations and children not enjoying being out in the cold. When we resume, we are hoping to be able to book some games in with other schools as well as attend the end of year tournament. We very much hope that the children will rejoin us again in term 4.

Ashford Community Newsletter – Ashford Rural North

Please see attached.
