# Mersham Primary School

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It has been another busy week in school with school visits to Folkestone Police Station (Mini Police Cadets), Safety in Action (Year 6) and The Romney, Hythe and Dymchurch railway (Year R). All children have had amazing experiences and I would like to thank all those who have planned, organised and supported those visits - both staff and parents.

Information regarding sports day next Friday has been sent separately. The weather continues to be changeable so please to keep an eye out for any updates – if the grass on the field is wet, it becomes incredibly slippy and dangerous. If that is the case, we will have to postpone to another date.

Cheryl Chalkley Headteacher



# **Upcoming Events**

28 <sup>th</sup> June	Sports Day (KS1 am
	KS2 pm)
3 <sup>rd</sup> July	Walk in Wednesday
4 <sup>th</sup> July	Transition Day for
	years R-5
12 <sup>th</sup> July	Leavers Disco – Yrs
	5/6 5:00-6:30
15 <sup>th</sup> July	Reports to parents
15/16 July	Yr 6 Production 6pm
19 <sup>th</sup> July	End of Term 6
22/23 July	Staff Training Days

#### **Donation from The Farriers Arms**

I would like to say a huge thank you to The Farriers Arms for their generous donation of a new portable speaker system for the school. We are incredibly grateful and you will be able to see it in use at Sports Day on Friday!

#### Forest School – request from Miss Dengate

If anyone has any unused kitchen equipment such as plastic bowls, cups etc that they would be happy to donate for the mud kitchen in forest school, Miss Dengate would be very appreciative. Inevitably, equipment does get broken and damaged as the children use it so we are constantly looking to find replacements. Thank you in advance.

# Holiday and Food Programme (HAF) for pupils eligible for free school meals

For those pupils who are eligible for free school meals, you will automatically be emailed vouchers for the summer holidays for the HAF programme. Further information for parents are available on this link <a href="https://help.holidayactivities.com/hc/en-gb/sections/12061341995153-Parent">https://help.holidayactivities.com/hc/en-gb/sections/12061341995153-Parent</a>

# Emotional Wellbeing Teams - Online Workshops

The Emotional Wellbeing Teams are offering some online workshops over the next few weeks on:

- Understanding ADHD Thursday 27th June 5.30-7.30pm
- Starting Primary School Tuesday 9th July 12.30-2.30pm

Please see attached flyers for more information and joining instructions.

#### **OSI – Online Support Intervention**

Please find attached additional information about OSI which is a further resource to support children's mental health and wellbeing.

#### Class Assemblies – Terms 5 and 6

Class assemblies will be performed at 9:05am in the school hall. Dates are as follows:

27 <sup>th</sup> June	Robin Class
4 <sup>th</sup> July	Kingfisher Class
11 <sup>th</sup> July	Toucan Class
18 <sup>th</sup> July	Duckling Class
19 <sup>th</sup> July (2pm)	Falcon Class Leavers Assembly

# PTFA updates:

#### Sports day

The PTFA will be serving drinks and snacks at both sports days on Friday 28th June. We'll also be selling ice creams after school. Please do support us by buying, and if anyone is available to help serve refreshments at either sports day, please let us know via the school office or on <u>hello@mershamschoolpta.co.uk</u>.

#### Cinema event Sunday 30th June 10am

We have \*exclusive\* hire of the Silverscreen Cinema in Folkestone to watch Inside Out 2 on Sunday 30th June at 10am. Tickets are £4 for children and £4.50 for adults so a huge saving on what it would cost to see a brand new film at the cinema!!

Please buy your tickets via the usual PTFA SumUp page - <u>https://mersham-school-pta-</u> 1.sumupstore.com .

# Tuck shop - Friday 5th July (after school)

The PTFA will be selling ice creams, snacks and drinks after school on 5th July. Come and find us in the playground.

# Cycle Circle - Free bike rides and workshops for adults in Ashford during July

We are running a number of cycling sessions for adults during July. This includes gentle rides (suitable for beginners and returning cyclists) to help you discovery safe routes in and beyond Ashford.

There are also a couple of Learn-to-Fix your bike workshops and some free bike fixing (Dr Bike) sessions.

# The next Affordable Refurbished Bicycle sale is on Saturday 6th July.

Please have a look at the link below, book yourself in and promote/share as you feel appropriate. For more info see <u>https://cyclecircle.co.uk/cyclefix/</u>

# Summer football camp for 4 – 12-year-olds!

Premier Football School are delighted to announce they are running a kids football school in Ashford during the forthcoming summer break at The North School from Wednesday 31st July – Friday 2nd August for boys and girls aged 4 - 12 of all abilities. Parents simply drop-off at 10.00am and pick up at 3.30pm. The fee is just £13 per day and all children who attend receive a trophy! Activities include a kids World Cup tournament and a penalty shootout competition with prizes! We are a non-elitist grass roots organisation, and children play in groups according to their age and abilities in a fun safe environment. Should you wish to book, please visit <u>www.premierfootballschool.co.uk</u> or call 07821 573837. See attached flyer for further information.

#### Sellindge Tennis Club – Holiday Tennis Coaching Camps

Please see attached flyer with information regarding their holiday tennis coaching camps

# Term Dates 2024/25

Please find below the term dates for the next academic year: Term 1 Tuesday 3rd September – Thursday 24th October Staff Development Days - Monday 2nd September and Friday 25th October Term 2 Monday 4th November - Friday 20th December Term 3 Monday 6th January – Friday 14th February Term 4 Monday 24th February – Friday 4th April Term 5 Tuesday 22nd April – Friday 23rd May Bank Holiday – Monday 5th May Term 6 Tuesday 3rd June – Friday 18th July Staff Development Days – Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> June, Monday 21st July and Tuesday 22nd July