
Term 4 – 20th March 2026

Mersham Primary School

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We were really delighted to hold our first Parent Forum meeting last week – a huge thank you to the parent members who came along. The purpose of the Parent Forum is to gain parental input on a range of issues related to the school. More detail can be found in the Terms of Reference for the Parent Forum on the school website (under the Parents tab on the home screen). For more information about what was discussed at this first meeting, please find attached the minutes of the meeting for your reference. If you are interested in being part of future meetings, please contact Mrs Benjamin.

**Cheryl Chalkley
Headteacher**

Easter Egg Donations

A huge thank you to all the parents/carers for your Easter Egg donations today – we are very much looking forward to Easter Egg Bingo next Friday after school!

Miss Maher's Quiz Night

I want to say a huge thank you to everyone who came along to the quiz at the school last Friday evening – the hall was packed! It was a great evening and we raised a massive £1160 for Sands Charity. I was blown away with everyone's kindness and generosity. Thank you again for your amazing support. I hope you enjoyed it as much as I did! Miss Maher

Lost Property

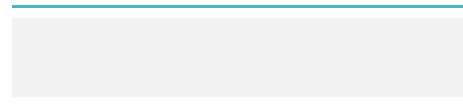
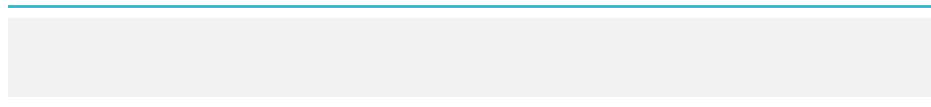
We have so many unnamed items of clothing in lost property! If you are missing an item of clothing, please do check in lost property. Please can I also remind parents to put their child's name in/on all their uniform/ belongings. If we find something around the school and it has a name in it, it is always quickly returned to the owner. Most of the clothing in lost property is unnamed! An action from the Parent Forum meeting was to share the Stickins poster (please find attached) – these sticky labels with a child's name on are so easy to stick on clothes labels as well we items like lunch boxes and water bottles. With this link, the company also make a donation to the PTFA.

Supermarket Vouchers for the Easter Holidays

For all those pupils who are eligible for Free School Meals, (this does not include pupils in Reception and Key Stage 1 who are all eligible for Universal Free School Meals) food vouchers to the value of £20 will be sent by email on the last day of term to cover the Easter holidays. These will be the last lot of vouchers sent to families under this scheme.

Upcoming Events

27 th March	Easter Egg Bingo 3:30-5:00pm
31 st March	Easter Service at the Church 9:15am
2 nd April	End of term 4
20 th April	Start of term 5
23 rd April	SATS information meeting – Yr 6 parents only 3:30pm
4 th May	Bank Holiday
11 th May	SATS week
18 th May	Residential meeting – Yr 6 parents only
22 nd May	End of Term 5



For future reference, please note that The Household Support Fund which is responsible for the supermarket vouchers for school holidays will cease to exist from March 2026. It will be replaced by a new initiative, the Crisis Resilience Fund, aimed at providing targeted assistance for those most in need. Further details are expected in due course

Mersham Church

Please find attached a flyer with details of the services at the Church over the Easter period for your information.

Term Dates 2026-2027

Term 1

Tuesday 1st September – Friday 23rd October

Staff Development Days – Tuesday 1st September and Friday 23rd October

Term 2

Monday 2nd November – Friday 18th December

Term 3

Monday 4th January – Friday 12th February

Term 4

Monday 22nd February – Thursday 25th March

Term 5

Monday 12th April – Friday 28th May

Bank Holiday – Monday 3rd May

Term 6

Monday 7th June – Wednesday 21st July

Staff Development Days – Monday 19th July, Tuesday 20th July and Wednesday 21st July

Class Assemblies – Terms 3 and 4

Class assemblies will be performed at 9:00am in the school hall.

Dates are as follows:

26th March

Parrot Class

2nd April

Falcon Class

PTFA News

Amazon Wishlists

A HUGE THANK YOU to everyone who has purchased items from the Class Amazon Wishlists. This is a fantastic way to directly support your child's class with resources! The wishlists remain open for all classes, with just a few items left to get. QR codes for each class can be found on the attached poster.

Do You have any Unwanted Gifts?

We are having a Gift Amnesty to prepare for our next Elfridges! If you were lucky enough to have been gifted more presents than you need, please consider donating them to the PTFA. We rely heavily on donations to stock our shop with a variety of lovely gifts. Any unwanted gifts are gratefully received and can be dropped into the school office anytime in January. Thank you!

