



Term 4 – 27<sup>th</sup> March 2026

# Mersham Primary School

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**Thank you to everyone who came along to the Easter Service at the Church on Tuesday – it was lovely to see the church so packed and I know the children really appreciate having family and friends watching their performances. A huge thank you to all the staff, particularly Mrs Benjamin for putting the service together and practising with the children.**

**We wish you all a very happy Easter break and we look forward to seeing you on Monday 20<sup>th</sup> April when we return.**

**Cheryl Chalkley  
Headteacher**

## **Sporting News – Ashford and District Primary School Football Tournament**

Mersham played in the small schools tournament at Ashford Prep School in Great Chart on Friday. We started with a draw against Challock, then went onto win against Goat Lees, Charing, Aldington and Victoria Road. Our only loss in the group stages was against Stowting - who finished first in the group with Mersham second! Goals came from Eddie, Darcy, Dylan and Daniel. We made the semi finals and lost to Aldington 2 - 1. Daniel scored our only goal in that game. The team - Hudson, Eddie, Dexter, James Lang, Darcy, Will, Charlie, Dylan and Daniel - were fantastic from start to finish. They showed great sportsmanship by congratulating the other teams whatever the result and represented the school to the highest standard. Am super proud of them! Miss Read

## **Easter Egg Design Competition**

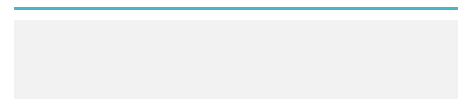
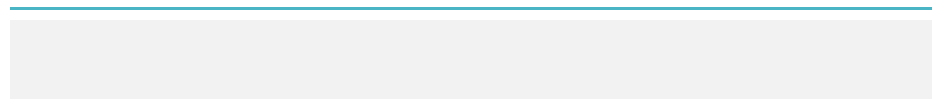
Well done to everyone who took part. Please see attached flyer from Miss Wheeler and Miss Read with details of the winners.

## **After School Club- Update**

We are really hoping that we will be able to appoint someone to lead after school club early in term 5. Until we are able to do that, we are unfortunately still not able to return to a full service. In the interim, we will continue with the current set up with an end time of 5:30pm and no food being served. As soon as we have someone in post, we will resume with the full service including serving a light snack and have an end time of 6:00pm. I apologise for any inconvenience caused and I greatly appreciate parents' support while we organise this.

## **Upcoming Events**

2 <sup>nd</sup> April	End of term 4
20 <sup>th</sup> April	Start of term 5
23 <sup>rd</sup> April	SATS information meeting – Yr 6 parents only 3:30pm
30 <sup>th</sup> April	SEMH Coffee Morning for parents 9-10am
4 <sup>th</sup> May	Bank Holiday
11 <sup>th</sup> May	SATS week
18 <sup>th</sup> May	Residential meeting – Yr 6 parents only
22 <sup>nd</sup> May	End of Term 5



## **Jewellery**

Please can I remind parents once again that jewellery, with the exception of a watch and/or stud earrings are not allowed in school for health and safety reasons. The girls particularly are wearing necklaces and bracelets that they should not be bringing in to school! Please can I also remind you that earrings should be stud earrings only – again for health and safety reasons. There are a number of girls wearing hooped earrings that could easily catch and have the potential to rip their ear lobes. Most secondary schools are incredibly strict about these matters so getting into those habits now will be beneficial for all. Thank you for your support.

## **Coffee Morning with the Specialist Teachers and Emotional Wellbeing Teams**

Amy Honey, one of the specialist teachers in this area will be hosting a coffee morning, for parents, on Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> April from 9-10am in the hall. Marie, from the Emotional Wellbeing Teams will also be there. Amy's area of specialism relates to social, emotional and mental health (SEMH) needs in children, particularly those who have traits or who are diagnosed with ADHD and/or Autism. Amy will be providing information to parents who would like to know more about how to support children who have SEMH needs. All parents are welcome.

## **Supermarket Vouchers for the Easter Holidays – Please note these must be claimed by 12<sup>th</sup> April or they will be withdrawn.**

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.

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.

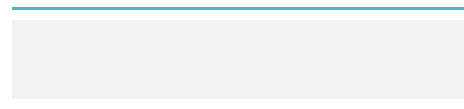
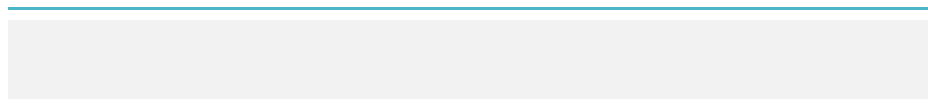
## **Emotional Wellbeing Teams – Online Workshops in Terms 5 and 6**

Please see attached flyers that have more information regarding the workshops that are available, online, during terms 5 and 6.

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

Class assemblies will be performed at 9:00am in the school hall.  
Dates are as follows:

21 <sup>st</sup> May	Robin Class
11 <sup>th</sup> June	Toucan Class
18 <sup>th</sup> June	Parrot Class
9 <sup>th</sup> July	Kingfisher Class
16 <sup>th</sup> July	Duckling Class
17 <sup>th</sup> July 2pm	Falcon Class Leavers Assembly



**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

