

Mersham Primary School

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Well done to all the Year 6 children who have been on residential this week – they have all just arrived back at school safely. I have no doubt that after a good night's sleep, they will have so much to share with their families! A huge thank you to Mrs Maher, Mrs Cox and Miss Higgins who have worked so hard this week – they said they have had an amazing time but have not had a moment to stop! They too are looking forward to a rest over the weekend! Hopefully we will have a couple of photos that we can share in the newsletter next week.

**Cheryl Chalkley
Headteacher**

Weather Next Week

The weather forecast next week is set to be very warm. Please can I remind all parents to make sure that their child(ren) are prepared for that by bringing into school a hat, sun cream, and a water bottle. Ideally, the sun cream should be a type that can be applied at home in the morning and will last all day. If not, please can you make sure your child knows how to apply sun cream, as adults in the school are not able to do it for them.

Mid Kent Dance Festival – Ashford School

On Friday 5th of June, I had the pleasure of accompanying a group of year 5 and 6 girls to perform at the Mid Kent Dance Festival at Ashford School. We had been very lucky to be invited to a workshop in April where we were taught a section of a routine. The girls and I then came back to school and worked hard to finish off the choreography in readiness to return and perform on the huge stage....and PERFORM we did! It was not a competition; however, we were awarded with a certificate for expression and connection with each other. I'm sure you agree this is a fantastic award to receive and just highlights what a fantastic group of children we have here at Mersham. Well done dancers, you were FAB! Mrs Harris

Sports Day – Friday 26th June

A reminder that this Friday in the morning (9:15-11:15 am) we will be holding Sports Day for all children in Duckling, Parrot and Robin classes. The afternoon (1:15-3:15pm) will be for children in Kingfishers, Toucans and Falcons. All children will come together for a final presentation at approximately 3pm. The weather is forecast to be very warm so we will of course have the gazebos up to provide shade for the children. Refreshments for parents, families and friends will be made available by the PTFA.

Upcoming Events

26 th June	Sports Day 9:15-11:15 Years R, 1, 2 and 3 1:15-3:15 Years 4, 5 and 6
1 st July	Walk in Wednesday
13 th July	Annual reports to Parents
13 th July	Yr 6 Performance 6pm
14 th July	Yr 6 Performance 1:30pm
17 th July	End of Term 6
20 th July	Staff Training Day
21 st July	Staff Training Day
1 st Sept	Staff training Day
2 nd Sept	Start of Term 1

Godinton House Family Workshops – message from the team

We are excited about the programme of workshops and activities we have planned for the summer holidays – please see attached flyer.

We are also offering a 12.5% discount on all House & Garden, Garden, and Family Workshop tickets for visits between 25th June and 1st September 2026. This is part of the government's Great British Summer Saving Scheme.

Message from Clarks Shoes at the Outlet

We are really excited to be approaching the busy Back to School season, and are getting prepared to welcome many families into our stores, to help them find the perfect fit for the new school year. Ahead of the end of term, we would like to invite parents to book their fitting appointments early to help them get a head start on their Back to School prep.

We also offer Quiet Time appointments, to help those with children who may find shopping at busier times overwhelming. Please see attached flyer for more details.

Holiday and Food (HAF) Vouchers

HAF vouchers will be emailed to all parents of children eligible for free school meals on 24th June 2026. Just a reminder that the supermarket voucher scheme is no longer available.

Class Assemblies – Terms 5 and 6

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

Dates are as follows:

9 th July	Kingfisher Class
16 th July	Duckling Class
17 th 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

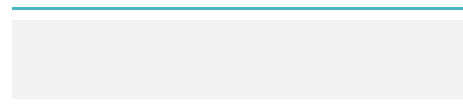
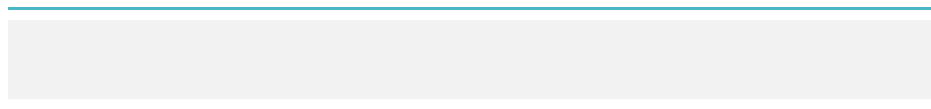
Monday 12th April – Friday 28th May

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



PTFA News

Can you Help?

We're looking for lovely volunteers to help provide refreshments at the upcoming school events in the summer term:

- **Sports Day – 26th June**
- **Leavers Performances** – evening of **13th July** and afternoon of **14th July**

Even an hour of your time would make a huge difference. If you're able to help at any of these events, please let us know – we'd love to have you involved! Email hello@mershamschoolpta.co.uk or drop a message via Facebook or WhatsApp.

Thank you for supporting our school community.

