

Term 3 – 13th January 2023

Mersham Primary School

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The new arrangements for pick up continue to be working well – thank you all for your support. However, we are starting to see some issues arising between children who have been collected from the class teacher but who are still on the playground. If you are still on the school site, perhaps waiting for older siblings to come out of school, please can I ask that parents carefully supervise the children in their care, particularly the younger ones to avoid any altercations/disagreements occurring. Thank you.

Cheryl Chalkley
Headteacher

Upcoming Events

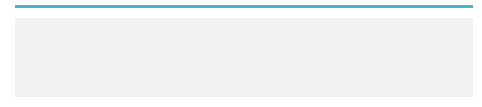
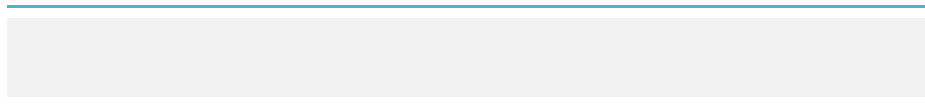
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23 rd Jan	Bikeability Yr 5/6
1 st Feb	Walk in Wednesday
9 th Feb	School Disco
10 th Feb	Creative Arts Day
10 th Feb	End of term 3
24 th Feb	Book Fair in School
2 nd March	World Book Day
31 st March	Easter Service at the Church 9:15am

Sports Hall Athletics at the Stour Centre Yrs 3/4 and Yrs 5/6



On Monday, a group of year 3 and 4 children were selected to take part in the Sports Hall Athletics competition at The Stour Centre. The children competed in a series of events against children from 16 other primary schools in Ashford. The children demonstrated fantastic sporting attitudes and were placed 11th overall. Well done to the whole team! Miss Munday

In addition, a team of Year 5 and 6 children attended the same event in the afternoon, taking part in a range of track and field events against 19 other schools. They were placed 10th overall which was a fantastic achievement considering that many of the schools competing were much larger than Mersham! All the children behaved impeccably and represented the school so well. Congratulations to all involved.



Lateness

Please can I remind parents that all children should be in school by 9:00am. We are increasingly seeing children arriving after that time which means that they are not only missing vital learning in the classroom but also disturbing the learning of others, who are in school on time. The school gates are open from 8:45am to allow plenty of leeway in terms of getting parked (which I appreciate can often be a challenge) and arriving at school. This time also allows children to settle into the classroom and be ready to learn by 9:00am. We will be monitoring lateness more closely over the next few weeks and the school will be discussing with individual parents if there are particular concerns.

Forest School request from Miss Dengate

If anyone has any wooden pallets, branch/log offcuts and maybe any old Christmas trees that they are willing to donate for forest school, Miss Dengate would be very grateful.

School Disco – Thursday 9th February

Please find attached flyers from the PTFA.

Class Assemblies – Terms 3 and 4

With the new hall now fully in use, we will be able to invite parents in once again to see class assemblies. These assemblies will be performed at 9:05am in the school hall and will, this season, have a focus on Online Safety. Dates are as follows:

2 nd February	Parrot Class
23 rd February	Penguin Class
2 nd March	Duckling Class
9 th March	Kingfisher Class
16 th March	Falcon Class
23 rd March	Toucan Class
30 th March	Robin Class

School Sports Kits

A reminder that all Mersham sports kits must be returned to Mrs Maher in her classroom to be 'signed back in' as soon after the event as possible. Please do not put it back in the first aid room or take it to the office. We currently have 15 pieces of school kit missing, meaning that not all children are able to wear the same kit for certain events.

Please have a look at home and if you have a Mersham top, please take it to Mrs Maher as soon as possible. Thank you. Mrs Benjamin

KM Charity Kent Cooks

Please see details below about a cookery competition that your child may be interested in getting involved in.



KM CHARITY TEAM **Young Cooks!**
Your invitation to be a Young Cook

Young people are invited to take part in the south east's Young Cooks cookery competition with the winners receiving a share of £500!

Roll up your sleeves, get stuck in and discover how much fun cooking can be - while learning vital life skills along the way!

Closing date for entries: 31st January 2023

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