
Term 6 – 6th June 2022

Mersham Primary School

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Thank you to everyone for your kind messages and thoughts following the theft from the building site at the weekend. £1000s of worth of equipment and tools were initially stolen although I am pleased to be able to report that some of the equipment, including a dumper truck, was recovered – they had been abandoned in a field in Aldington! Even so it was a big shock to the builders, the school and the wider community that such a thing had even happened. Security on the site has been increased but if anyone from the local community should see anything suspicious in the future or possibly saw anything around 12:30am Sunday night/Monday morning, please do report it to the police. Thankfully, the recovery of the equipment has meant there are no significant delays to the works as a result of this incident.

**Cheryl Chalkley
Headteacher**

Upcoming Events

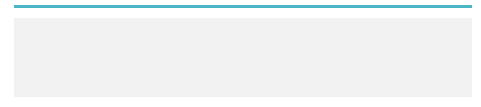
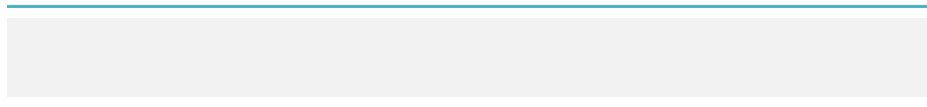
6 th July	Walk In Wednesday
8 th July	Sports Day and Summer Fair
12 th /13 th July	Year 6 Production
15 th July	Year 6 Disco
19 th July	Last day of Term 6
20 th , 21 st	Staff Training Days
22 nd July	
1 st /2 nd Sept	Staff Training Days
5 th Sept	Start of Term 1

World Refugee Day

World Refugee Day is on Monday 20th June and throughout next week, all children will be engaged in learning and activities, appropriate to their age, to support them in better understanding what a refugee is and the reasons behind why people might seek refuge in another country. We are also hoping that we will have a visit from KRAN (Kent Refugee Action Network) who are an organisation that support children and young people who are refugees in Kent. Kent is heavily impacted by refugees, particularly those arriving across the Channel and more recently families who have sought refuge from Ukraine. As a school, we feel it is really important to provide children with an opportunity to develop their understanding of these issues, particularly as we are a school in the heart of Kent. I am sure your children will share more with you through the week!

Internet Safety – Huggy Wuggy

Class teachers have reported that some of the children in their classes, including some of our youngest children, have been talking about a character Huggy Wuggy. The character at first glance may seem suitable but has a very dark side and is not suitable for primary aged children. Videos are being accessed via You Tube and TikTok. You might like to read the attached report (via link below) for more information and I would ask all families to remain vigilant about what their child(ren) are accessing online.



<https://www.portsmouth.co.uk/news/crime/huggy-wuggy-what-is-it-why-are-police-forces-issuing-warnings-are-the-videos-on-tiktok-and-youtube-is-huggy-wuggy-from-poppy-playtime-is-it-a-game-and-is-it-inappropriate-for-children-3641517>

Governor Vacancies

We currently have two vacancies on the Governing Board for co-opted governors. These are often sourced from the local community and are people who would like to volunteer to give something back to education. Many businesses also actively support employees in being a school governor. Unfortunately, for these positions, we are unable to accept current parents of the school but should you know anyone else, either personally or professionally, that may be interested in getting involved with being a school governor, please ask them to contact Mrs Chalkley on headteacher@mersham.kent.sch.uk or the Chair of Governors, Lesley Caldwell, on chair@mersham.kent.sch.uk.

Year 5 Parents

Please see below about open days at Brockhill



Brockhill Park
Performing Arts College

OPEN EVENINGS

for prospective year 7 students

Wednesday 6th July & Tuesday 13th September 2022

Please visit www.brockhill.kent.sch.uk to book your arrival time

Please attend one event only.

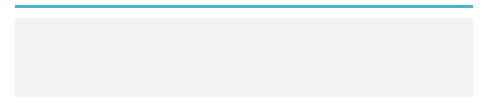
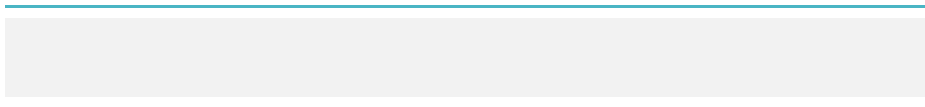
Sandling Road, Saltwood, Hythe, Kent. CT21 4HL
Tel 01303 265521

PTA Newsletter

Please see the attached newsletter from the PTA

Class Assemblies – Terms 5 and 6

Please note that Parrot class assembly will be on a Friday not a Thursday due to transition activities happening that week.



Toucan Class	Thursday 16th June
Falcon Class	Thursday 23rd June
Parrot Class	Friday 1 st July
Robin Class	Thursday 7th July

Summer school holiday fun for 4 – 12-year-olds!

Premier Football School are delighted to announce they are running a kid's football school in Ashford this summer at The North School from Wednesday 3rd – Friday 5th 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 www.premierfootballschool.co.uk or call 07821 573837.

