
Term 4 – 21st February 2022

Mersham Primary School

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Welcome back, I hope you have all had a good break. We have been informed via the DfE today that all remaining restrictions are being lifted this week. There will no longer be a requirement for staff to take twice weekly lateral flow tests and there is no longer a legal requirement to self-isolate should you test positive, from Thursday. However, adults and children who test positive will continue to be advised to stay at home and avoid contact with other people for at least 5 full days, and then continue to follow the guidance until they have received 2 negative test results on consecutive days. As a primary school, where only the adults are vaccinated, we are still vulnerable to break outs so I would ask all parents to please remain vigilant. More guidance for schools will be published later this week.

**Cheryl Chalkley
Headteacher**

Upcoming Events

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| 21 st Feb | Start of Term 4 |
| 21 st Feb | Year 6 Bikeability |
| 28 th Feb | Parents Eve |
| 2 nd March | Parents Eve |
| 3 rd March | World Book Day |
| 8 th March | International Women's Day |
| 14 th March | Science Week |
| 1 st April | End of Term 4 |
| 19 th April | Start of Term 5 |

Parent's Evenings

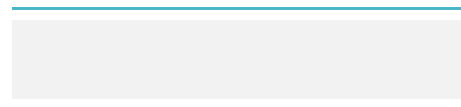
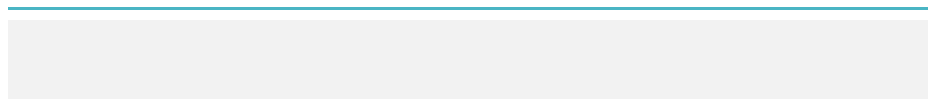
Parent's evenings will then be held on 28th February and 2nd March where the interim report received before the break will provide a starting point for the discussion with the class teacher. We will be continuing to hold parents' evenings for all parents virtually, via Google Classroom, as there was significant feedback that this worked better for both parents and the school.

Ofsted Inspection

Since starting to put this newsletter together, we had the call from Ofsted and the Inspector, Margaret Coussins, spent two days in the school. Just so you are aware, all information regarding the inspection is strictly confidential until the publication of the final report which will be in approximately 4-5 weeks time. All parents will be emailed a copy of the report prior to it being published on the Ofsted website.

World Book Day – Thursday 3rd March

It is World Book Day on Thursday 3rd March. Details from Miss Hanson were sent to parents earlier in the week, via Parentmail about this, if you did not receive it for any reason, please contact the school office.



Affordable Bike Sale – Goldwyn School

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BUY a BIKE

Pick up an affordable refurbished bike at our next bike sale event at Goldwyn School, Ashford (TN23 3BT). Bikes are fully serviced, clean and available in a variety of sizes.

DONATE a BIKE

Bike too small or sitting unloved gathering dust? Donate it to us and we'll find it a good home. If you need a replacement, we'll offer you a discount on a more suitable refurbished bike.

BIKE SALE EVENTS

Goldwyn School, Ashford (TN23 3BT).
Saturday 12th February, 19th March, 14th May, 18th June and 23rd July (10.00-13.00).
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Term Dates 2022-23

Please find below the term dates for the next academic year:

Term 1

Monday 5th September – Friday 21st October

Staff Development Days - Thursday 1st September and Friday 2nd September

Term 2

Monday 31st October – Friday 16th December

Term 3

Tuesday 3rd January – Friday 10th February

Term 4

Monday 20th February – Friday 31st March

Term 5

Monday 17th April – Thursday 25th May (

Bank Holiday – Monday 1st May

Staff Development Day – Friday 26th May

Term 6

Monday 5th June – Wednesday 19th July

Staff Development Days – Thursday 20th July and Friday 21st July

Class Assemblies – Terms 3 and 4

These assemblies will be performed at 9:05am in the school hall and will focus on Online Safety.

Please note the change in date for Year 5 assembly

Dates are as follows:

3rd March

10th March

17th March

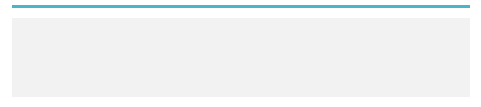
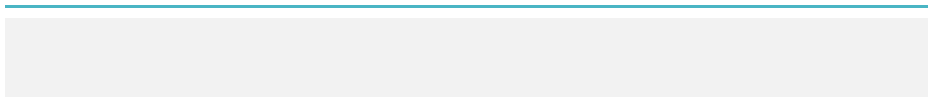
24th March

Duckling Class

Penguin Class

Kingfisher Class

Toucan Class







100 club

The 100 club is a mini lottery set up by Mersham School PTA, to fund extra equipment chosen directly by the children via their school council.

The children met in February and were given a budget of £2,000 to choose how they'd like this to be spent. They have decided **on wet play equipment and new books**. We'll share more information about what's been purchased over the coming weeks.

Easter Egg Bingo

We're working on plans to get our legendary, fabulous and quite frankly CRAZY **Easter Egg Bingo** event back for 2022! For those who  haven't taken part before:

 There will be a **non-uniform day held before the event** in exchange for your kind **donations of an Easter Egg**. We'll confirm the date for this soon...

- We'll hold **two sessions after school for the bingo** - one for KS1 and one for KS2 (we appreciate that some parents have siblings across both stages and in this instance, you can choose to attend one or the other rather than both)

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Location: The Forstal

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