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Newsletter

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Message from Mr. Krafft & Mrs. Deevoy

It is the start of Term 4 and we are now over half way through the year! We hope you all had a good half term break.

The pupils and staff are already working hard and getting back into the swing of things in the classroom. We also have lots of exciting opportunities and events planned. There are more details in this newsletter but make sure you keep an eye on School Ping to stay up-to-date with everything that is going on.

Thank you for all your support.

Kind regards,

Mr Krafft & Mrs Deevoy

World Book Day

World Book Day is just around the corner! On Thursday 6 March our school will be having a day of exciting, book centered activities to encourage children to read for fun.

As with previous years we will allow everyone to dress up for World Book Day, if they wish. What does your child like to read, (or watch, or do)? Wear a small clue or a whole costume - it's up to you! We sent some great low-cost ideas out on Ping.

Children will also receive a World Book Day token which they can exchange for a free book in most book shops and supermarkets.

We're excited to support children to 'Read Your Way' - encouraging everyone to let go of reading pressures and expectations,

and empowering children and young people to have fun discovering reading on their own terms.

TCS Mini London Marathon

We are delighted to announce that we have an extremely limited number of spaces for the TCS Mini Marathon on Saturday 26th April 2025.

When: Saturday 26 April 2025

Start Line: Horse Guards Parade

Finish Line: The Mall

Terrain: Road - fast and flat

Distance: 1 mile

What the pupils receive:

Warm-up activities with Joe Wick and WWF-UK

Finisher medal

Timed results

BUXTON® Natural Mineral Water

We do not have many details at this point and will share more closer to the time.

You will need to get your child to London and to the start of the race where staff will be there to support your child at the event. The school will not be able to assist getting children to or from the event.

Please complete the form on Ping and submit it as soon as possible if you would be interested in your child taking part.

Once we know the level of interest we will allocate spaces.



PFA Mother's Day Gift Making

Later in the term, the PFA will be holding a craft session for the children to make their own gift for Mother's Day. You may purchase up to three per child.

These sessions will be held on 20th and 21st March, during the school day, with volunteers from the PFA. These will cost £1.50 per gift and will need to be paid for in advance. Please hand the money in a named envelope to your child's teacher or school office. Please indicate on School Ping if you would like your child to attend this session. All spaces need to be booked by Friday 7 March.

If you are interested in joining the PFA please contact the school office.

Friday 21st March

Friday 21st of March is going to be a big day as it marks two important events! It is World Down Syndrome Day and Comic Relief Red Nose Day.

Celebrate World Down Syndrome Day with a pair of colourful, bright and mismatched socks and help raise awareness about Down's syndrome.

Complete the look with your own clothes for Comic Relief! Wear red if you want to pay tribute to the classic Red Nose or perhaps go for bold colours if you want to go BIG for the MASSIVE joy Comic Relief brings! We will have buckets on the gates if you wish to bring a donation for Comic Relief.

Parents Evening

Parents Evening will take place on Tuesday 1st April at 3:30 – 5:30 and Wednesday 2nd April – 4:30 – 6:30. Please complete the form on Ping, which will be sent out by the end of the week, to book a slot. If you are unable to book a slot or unable to make the dates then please contact the school office.

Kent Cricket Coaching

We are really excited to welcome Coach Tom from Kent Cricket Club into the school in term 4. Every Thursday, Coach Tom will be teaching years 2 – 6 skills and techniques essential to cricket. Sessions include elements of fundamental skills, movement patterns, sportsmanship, as well as a life-skills focus for each session such as Teamwork, resilience and perseverance. We would like to thank Kent Cricket and Coach Tom for this opportunity.



Term 4 Clubs

Below is a list of what we will offer. If you have any ideas for future clubs, please let us know.

Monday	
Family Create Club Whole School	Creation Station
Boys Football – Years 5 & 6	Mr Lloyd
Science (Lunchtime) – Year 6	Mrs Baptie
Tuesday	
Choir – KS1	Miss Hendry
Choir – KS2	Mrs Calder
Pupil Parliament (Lunchtime) – Whole School	Miss Bell
Go Kart – Year 6	Mr Saunders
Wednesday	
Tennis – Years 1 to 5	Danny Wynn

Thursday	
Girls Football – Years 3 – 6	Mr Lloyd, Mr Krafft & Miss Stevens
Drawing Club - Years 1 & 2	Mrs Barton
Makaton Singing – KS1	Mrs Longstaff & Miss Kent
Reading and Rockstars (Lunchtime) – KS2	Miss Blackburn

Dates for Your Diary

Below is an outline of some of the things we have planned this year. We hope to add to this and will send messages through School Ping to individual classes. Please ensure you check School Ping to stay up to date with the latest events going on in your child's class. Please be aware that dates are subject to change although we will try to keep this to a minimum.

INSET DAYS – Pupils do not Attend

Inset Day – Friday 20 June 2025

Inset Day – Friday 11 July 2025

May Bank Holiday – Monday 5 May 2025

Term 4

March

- Monday 3rd – Friday 7th March
World Book Week
- Tuesday 4th March – Pancake Races
- Wednesday 5th March – Lent Project
- Thursday 6th March – World Book Day
- Monday 10th – Friday 14th March – Science Week
- Friday 21st March – Comic Relief – Red Nose Day – Own Clothes
- Friday 21st March – World Down Syndrome Day – Odd Socks

- Friday 21st March – Alice in Wonderland Live Theatre Performance
- Monday 31st March – Start of Easter Trail

April

- Tuesday 1st April – Parents Evening
- Wednesday 2nd April – Parents Evening
- Friday 4th April – End of Term 4

Term 5

- Tuesday 22nd April – Start of Term 5
- Wednesday 23rd April – St Georges Day
- Friday 25th April – Kent Fire and Rescue Visit

May

- Monday 5th May – Bank Holiday
- Monday 12th May - KS2 SATs Week
- Friday 16th May – Class Photographs
- Monday 19th May - Charity Week (Planning)
- Friday 23rd May – End of Term 5

Term 6

June

- Monday 2nd June – Start of Term 6
- Monday 2nd June – Charity Week (Activities)
- Monday 2nd June – Year 6 Activity Week - TBC
- Wednesday 18th June - Sports Day
- Friday 20th June – INSET DAY – Pupils do not attend

July

- Tuesday 1st July – 22nd July - Try something New Month
- Friday 11th July – INSET DAY – Pupils do not attend
- Tuesday 22nd July – End of Term 6