



LAMBERHURST ST MARY'S CEP SCHOOL WEEKLY NEWSBRIEF

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HEADTEACHER AWARDS

Weekly Headteacher Awards of Gold stickers and certificates were presented to the following children at today's Celebration Assembly:

Ruby Class (Yr R)-Emily Jackson
Emerald Class (Yr 1)-Clara Hudson
Topaz Class (Yr 2)-Ollie Gilbert
Amber Class (Yr 3)-April Godden
Sapphire Class (Yr 4)-Richie Bingham
Garnet Class (Yr 5)-Isabella Cowan
Diamond Class (Yr 6)-Bear Morris-Burns

SCHOOL LUNCHES

We have received the following information from our school lunch provider Dolce outlining the challenges that they face as we move into 2022. In particular increases in inflation and the National Living Wage.

Raising lunch prices at this time is the last thing they want to do, but they are now at the point where they have no choice and will have to make a small increase in their charges from 18th April. Dolce recognise the financial pressure parents are under and already plan to absorb much of the costs increase. The small amount of costs that they cannot absorb will have to be met through price increases to the meals and they have gone to great lengths to minimise this increase.

From April the cost of a pupil meal will be £2.35 (a 5p per meal increase).

Reception, Year 1, Year 2 and Pupil Premium pupils will continue to have their meals fully funded.

ST MARYS ALL AGE CHOIR

Thanks to everyone who has joined the All Age Choir at St Mary's Church, Lamberhurst, since it restarted in December.

A reminder that the All Age Choir sing on the 2nd Sunday of the month during the 10am Sunday service at St Marys Church. Everyone is welcome - please join Mr Pape at 9.30 for rehearsal.

The next All Age Choir will be on Sunday 13th February and they hope to practice something new. If you'd like a copy of the music or to know a little more, please contact Sue McNamara sue.mcnamara23@yahoo.co.uk

INFANT AGILITY FESTIVAL TEAM

Emily, Matilda, Louis, Otto Saville, Alfie, Laurie and Roseanne from Year 2 and Marnie, Sophie and Theo from Year 1, had an amazing time at Infant Agility. They showed what great Sportsmen they are and Mrs Mills was very proud of the team. They experienced all different types of games competing with 8 other schools from the area. A huge thank you to all the parents for their help with transport.



PARENT CONSULTATIONS

Parent Consultations will take place virtually, using our School Cloud platform on Tuesday 8th and Wednesday 9th February.

Parents need to book a consultation and 10-minute timed appointments are available each day, 3.30-6pm. We are sorry but there is no capacity for us to offer alternate appointments or dates.

At the end of this News Brief you will find instructions for making Parent Consultation

Appointments.

With this News Brief you will receive via ParentMail:

Ruby Class ~ Weekly book and vocabulary information

With this News Brief you will receive in school bags:

Y6 ~ Grease the Musical trip to Cranbrook School performance letter/permission form

Y3 ~ Forest School Letter/permission form

ST MARY'S CHURCH SUNDAY CLUB

Reverend Andrew, Reverend Roger and Reverend Andy warmly invite families to St Mary's Church on Sunday 16th January for the launch of the 'Sunday Club'.

'Sunday club' will take place on the 1st and 3rd Sundays of every month during the 10:00am service. Children will be able to join their friends in the adjoining Scotney Chapel for a fun activity, story or craft, allowing their parents to enjoy the service.

Everyone has really missed seeing the children in church over the past 21 months and they can't wait to welcome them back.

COVID UPDATE

Many thanks to everyone for keeping up the testing vigilance in respect of the latest wave of infections, which has impacted several families at our school.

From Monday 17th January, people who are self-isolating with COVID-19 will have the option to reduce their isolation period after 5 full days if they test negative with a lateral flow device (LFD) test on both day 5 and day 6 and they do not have a temperature. For example, if they test negative on the morning of day 5 and the morning of day 6, they can return to their education or childcare setting immediately on day 6.

The first test must be taken no earlier than day 5 of the self-isolation period, and the second must be taken the following day. All test results should be reported to NHS Test and Trace.

If the result of either of their tests is positive, they should continue to self-isolate until they get negative results from two LFD tests on consecutive days or until they have completed 10 full days of self-isolation, whichever is earliest.

Anyone who is unable to take LFD tests or anyone who continues to have a temperature will need to complete the full 10-day period of self-isolation. If any pupil has any of the main symptoms of COVID-19, they are strongly advised to take a PCR test, not an LFD test. If a pupil with symptoms has already taken an LFD test for any reason and the result is positive, they do not need to take a follow-up PCR test.

Please note that symptoms that we are currently seeing in pupils, are not necessarily matching the government symptoms list.

Pupils are displaying:

- Headache
- Stomach ache/Nausea/stomach upset
- Cold symptoms/runny nose
- Sore throat
- Unusual lethargy

THE PARENTS' TOOLKIT

Two of our parents- Vicki Haxton and Andy Cowan have been involved as designers in an amazing project working with Place2Be and Young Minds on a toolkit for parents.

I am pleased to say that this is being launched on Tuesday 1st February in advance of Children's Mental Health Awareness Week.

This toolkit will help parents/carers:

- understand good mental health and mental health difficulties in children and young people
- be aware of why and when difficulties can arise and what to look out for
- know how to help your child if they are struggling
- know when and how to get professional help
- understand that you need to look after yourself, too

The launch is a free webinar on Tuesday 1st February at 10am, is open to all, following which the toolkit will be circulated and downloadable from the City Mental Health Alliance website.

www.citymha.org.uk

We would like to invite parents and carers from the school to attend.

The Parents' Toolkit has been produced in collaboration with Place2Be, Young Minds and the Pears Maudsley Centre for Children and Young People, with the support of the Bank of England, PwC and Morgan Stanley.

With one in six children having a diagnosable mental health issue, it is crucial that parents/carers have the right tools to understand, protect & support the Mental Health of children. Following the launch event, you will be sent a link to download the toolkit.

Register here:

<https://citymha.org.uk/Events/1100-/Launch-of-The-Parents-Toolkit>

LAMBERHURST PANTO-ROBIN HOOD & BABES IN THE WOOD

The annual Lamberhurst Village Pantomime takes place on 28th, 29th and 30th January in the village hall.

Our very own and very talented Miss Sturman has a leading role and several of our pupils are also in the cast!

Tickets can be booked at:

www.lamberhurstpanto.co.uk



Parents' Guide for Booking Appointments

Browse to <https://lamberhurst.schoolcloud.co.uk/>

Welcome to the Greenhoney Parents Evening Booking System. Appointments can be arranged via email through the email confirmation - please ensure your email address is correct.

Your Details

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| Title | First Name | Surname |
| Mrs | Rachael | Abbot |

Email

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|-------------------|-------------------|
| rabbot4@gmail.com | Confirm Email |
| rabbot4@gmail.com | rabbot4@gmail.com |

Student's Details

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| First Name | Surname | Date Of Birth |
| Ben | Abbot | 20 July 2000 |

Step 1: Login

Fill out the details on the page then click the *Log In* button.

A confirmation of your appointments will be sent to the email address you provide.

September Parents Evening

This is to allow parents and teachers to discuss progress and will take place on 13th and 14th September. Note that on the 13th there will be sessions available both in-person and via video call.

Click a date to continue

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| Monday, 13th September In-person & video call Open for bookings | > |
| Tuesday, 14th September In-person Open for bookings | > |

[I'm unable to attend](#)

Step 2: Select Parents' Evening

Click on the date you wish to book.

Unable to make all of the dates listed? Click *I'm unable to attend*.

Choose Booking Mode

Select how you'd like to book your appointments using the option below, and then hit Next.

Automatic
Automatically book the best possible times based on your availability

Manual
Choose the time you would like to see each teacher.

[Next](#)

Step 3: Select Booking Mode

Choose *Automatic* if you'd like the system to suggest the shortest possible appointment schedule based on the times you're available to attend. To pick the times to book with each teacher, choose *Manual*. Then press *Next*.

We recommend choosing the automatic booking mode when browsing on a mobile device.

Choose Teachers

Set the earliest and latest times you can attend, select which teachers you'd like to see, and then press the button to continue.

Choose earliest and latest times

14:00 14:36 15:24 16:12 17:00

Your availability: 14:00 - 17:00

Step 4: Select Availability

Drag the sliders at the top of the screen to indicate the earliest and latest you can attend.

Choose Teachers

If there is a teacher you do not wish to see, please untick them before you continue.

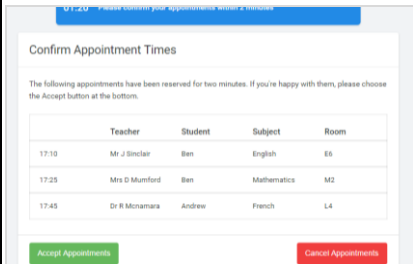
Ben Abbot

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[Continue to Book Appointments](#)

Step 5: Choose Teachers

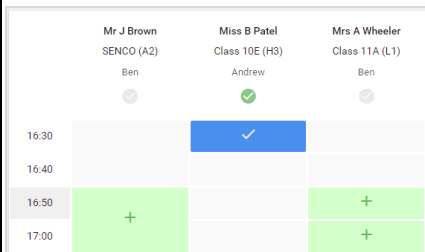
Select the teachers you'd like to book appointments with. A green tick indicates they're selected. To de-select, click on their name.



Step 6: Book Appointments (Automatic)

If you chose the automatic booking mode, you'll see provisional appointments which are held for 2 minutes. To keep them, choose *Accept* at the bottom left.

If it wasn't possible to book every selected teacher during the times you are able to attend, you can either adjust the teachers you wish to meet with and try again, or switch to manual booking mode.



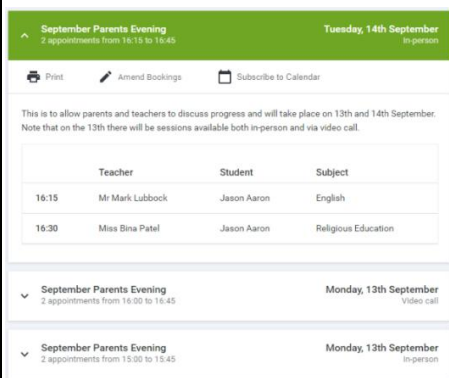
Step 7: Book Appointments

Click any of the green cells to make an appointment. Blue cells signify where you already have an appointment. Grey cells are unavailable.

To change an appointment, delete the original by hovering over the blue box and clicking *Delete*. Then choose an alternate time.

You can optionally leave a message for the teacher to say what you'd like to discuss, or raise anything beforehand.

Once you're finished booking all appointments, at the top of the page in the alert box, press *click here* to finish the booking process.



Step 8: Finished

All your bookings now appear on the My Bookings page. An email confirmation has been sent and you can also print appointments by pressing *Print*. Click *Subscribe to Calendar* to add these and any future bookings to your calendar.

To change your appointments, click on *Amend Bookings*.