



## 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) - Petru Stanca**  
**Emerald Class (Yr 1) - Marnie Irving**  
**Topaz Class (Yr 2) - Anabel Stewart**  
**Amber Class (Yr 3) - Adem Bicimli**  
**Sapphire Class (Yr 4) - Manu Munoz-Moody**  
**Garnet Class (Yr 5) - Tabitha Wingfield**  
**Diamond Class (Yr 6) - Harriet Hungerford**

### WELCOME BACK

We hope that everyone managed to have a restful half term break before we were bombarded by the storms and subsequent power failures!

We are now in Spring Term 4 and parents can see an overview of what children will be learning this term on the Curriculum Tab of our school Website.

### CLASS PHOTOGRAPHS

Our school photographers, Profiles, will be coming into school on Friday 11<sup>th</sup> March to take official, annual class photographs.

Year 1 & 2 pupils who have PE on Friday should ensure that their kit is clean and smart for the photographs. All other pupils should be in clean, smart school uniform and follow school hair policy.

### THE EMERGENCY TREE TEAM



A huge 'Thankyou' to Richard Newman and the Scotney National Trust volunteers, our parents volunteers and Year 5 & 6 pupils who worked like Trojans for almost 3 hours to remove the enormous tree which fell across the Sports Pitch during the storms. More pictures of the team in action can be seen on the school website News Page.

### END OF COVID RESTRICTIONS

As parents will no doubt be aware, The Prime Minister announced this week, the ending of all national legal restrictions regarding Covid-19. There are some aspects of lockdown that have proven to be popular and more efficient ways of working and as we transition back to Pre-Covid ways of working we will be analysing which new practises have been beneficial and thus remain in place. One example of this has been the PE days, which has saved a huge amount of wasted 'changing time' and also relieved us of significant amounts of 'Lost property'.

Drop off and pick up procedures at the Pearse Place school gates have also proven very efficient for adults and children alike and so will remain. Please note that we no longer need to have staggered collection times and so will introduce a new 'hybrid' from Monday:

**YR, 1, 2 & Siblings from older year groups**  
**3.15pm**

**Y3, Y4, Y5, Y6 3.20pm**

Whilst it is no longer a legal requirement to self-isolate, even if you test positive for coronavirus, we will be following government advice to continue to follow the recommended isolation periods.

More guidance will be published by the government on 1st April, and we will update and amend where necessary according to this guidance.

Staff and pupils should do the following, if they have Covid symptoms/test positive for Covid-19:

- **Self-isolate for 5 days**
- **Avoid contact with anyone in an at-risk group (we do have adults and children who fall/live with/care for family members who fall into this category)**
- **After 5 days, they can choose to take a lateral flow test on 2 consecutive days**
- **If both tests are negative and they do not have a temperature, they can return to school**

As always, we very much appreciate your support in preventing unnecessary spread of infection, protecting our school community and helping us to mitigate and avoid further disruption to school life.

## NEW CLOTHING RECYCLING BIN

Our new permanent Recycling bin for unwanted, clean clothes, pairs of shoes and bags is now installed in the car park.

Please do bring your Spring clear outs and make our first collection lift a success.

The bin will then be emptied every 2-3 weeks and we hope that this will provide a more efficient opportunity for families to recycle.

Access to the bin at weekends is via the pedestrian school gate.



## FOREST SCHOOL DATES-YEAR 1 & 2

Please see below a reminder of Forest School dates for Year 1 & 2.

3-week blocks are as follows:

**Year 1:** Tues/Thurs 22<sup>nd</sup>/24<sup>th</sup> February-

Tues/Thurs 8<sup>th</sup>/10<sup>th</sup> March

**Year 2:** Tues/Thurs 15<sup>th</sup>/17<sup>th</sup> March-29<sup>th</sup>/31<sup>st</sup>

March

Year 4 will begin their 3-week block on the first day back at school after Easter Break from Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> April.

Year 3 will complete their second 3-week block from Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> May.

Letters and group names will be sent as we approach each year group block.

Year 5 & 6 will have their next Forest School blocks in Summer Term 6.

## OTHER DATE REMINDERS

Fri 25<sup>th</sup> March-After school PTA Mothering

Sunday Welly Walk

Fri 1<sup>st</sup> April-PTA Easter Cake Sale

Fri 1<sup>st</sup> April-Break up for Easter at normal end of school day/after clubs

Tues 19<sup>th</sup> April- All pupils return to school for Summer Term 5

## WELCOME MISS GOODSSELL

A warm welcome to Miss Emma Goodsell, who joins us this term in Year 4 as a Student Teacher.

Miss Goodsell has been teaching at Sissinghurst Primary School since September and has swapped schools for a term with Ms Cannam who has been teaching in Year 6 here since last September.

We wish Ms Cannam every success for her placement at Sissinghurst and look forward to her return for Summer Terms 5 & 6.

## EXCITING DATE FOR YOUR DIARIES!

With Covid restrictions now lifted we will be working towards activities and life at school, as they were two years ago! Our first exciting announcement is:

### **'Jubilee Celebration Open School Day'**

On Friday 27<sup>th</sup> May we would like to invite parents, family members and friends of the school to join us for an 'Open School Day' to coincide with the Diamond Jubilee celebrations.

The school will be open for parents, family members and friends to tour and visit their children's classrooms, listen to music ensembles, the Infant and Junior School Choirs performing and a big Jubilee Family picnic in the grounds.

We will be asking the children to dress up for the day in a choice of: Red, white & blue outfits, Kings & Queens, famous characters since 1952.

Further summer term events will be published in the coming weeks.

## PARENT CONSULTATIONS

A reminder that all previously cancelled Parent Consultation appointments from before half term, have been automatically rescheduled to next week: Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> and Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> March.

Please make sure that your appointment date is in your diary and you have the link to connect to School Cloud. Please contact Mrs Knight in the school office if you have any queries.

## ST DAVID'S DAY

St David's Day falls next Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> March. Pupils may wear 'Association Uniforms' to school on this day: Beavers, Rainbows, Cubs, Brownies, Guides, Scouts etc.

With this News Brief you will receive via ParentMail:

Ruby Class ~ Weekly Vocabulary Sheet

Y5 & 6 ~ Outing letter to Sevenoaks River Study Day.

With this News Brief you will receive in school bags:

Y5 & 6 ~ Outing letter to Sevenoaks River Study Day.