



# NEWSLETTER

## LAMBERHURST ST MARY'S CE PRIMARY SCHOOL WEEKLY NEWS

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### HEADTEACHER AWARDS

Ruby Class (Yr R)-Daisy Worster  
Emerald Class (Yr 1)-Mayenna Miller  
Topaz Class- (Yr 2)-Lewis Kennedy  
Amber Class- (Yr 3)-Charlie Harris  
Sapphire Class- (Yr 4)-Darcey York  
Garnet Class-(Yr 5)-Taylor McKie  
Diamond Class-(Yr 6)-Grace York  
'Oscar'-Emilia Wojcik Y5  
Best Manners Award-Maddie Alexander & Rory Edwards

### HAPPY HALF TERM

We wish everyone a very happy half term break.

Pupils return to school on

**Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> February.**

All clubs will run as normal from this date.

We break up for Easter on Friday 5<sup>th</sup> April at 3.20pm or after clubs including Care Club, which will run until 6pm as usual.

### CLASS PHOTOGRAPHS

On Friday 1<sup>st</sup> March, all pupils will be having their Class Photographs taken. These are fun pictures of the whole class together, which parents can purchase.

Please ensure that pupils are wearing smart school uniform, shoe and hair standards.

### Today you will also receive:

Every Family ~ PTA Woodland Party Flyer  
Every Pupil ~ World Book Day Voucher  
Year 1, 2, 3 & 4~ Outing Letter  
Every Family ~ Premier Flyers

### NETBALL SQUAD NEWS

Last Saturday the Lamberhurst St Mary's Netball Squad, was invited to Kent College Pembury, for a very prestigious training event and to play some matches with a selection of other state and independent schools.

During the morning, some of the best netball coaches in the country coached the team. Although the girls did not make the final of the competition, they played with real determination and grit in some very cold and challenging conditions.

We are very much looking forward to using our new skills and confidence to play more netball fixtures going forward.



A huge 'Thank you' to Mrs Mills who gave up her Saturday to take the girls along. They all agreed that it was such a fabulous day! The team pictured above is with Jess Haynes who plays Wing Defence for England - such an inspiration to the girls.

### YEAR 4 ASSEMBLY



Thank you to Year 4 who led our Class Assembly Worship this week. Their superb presentation of their learning this term also included a 'George Ezra' style Saxon song to help them remember some very important historical key facts! Year 3 will lead our next Class Assembly Worship on Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> March at 9.05am. Everyone is very welcome.

### FOOD IN THE HOME

#### RESEARCH STUDY

We have been contacted by researchers from the University of Leeds who are conducting a study to find out more about children's eating habits and food in the family home. In particular, they are interested in the views of parents of primary school aged children.

They have developed an online questionnaire and are trying to get as many parents to fill this in.

The questionnaire takes about 8-12 minutes to complete, is anonymous and voluntary.

<https://leeds.onlinesurveys.ac.uk/food-in-the-family-home-2018>

This research is university ethics approved.

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## **PESE 11+ TEST 2019**

Each year KCC consults with schools on a coordinated admission scheme for the forthcoming year, which details the process and key deadlines for the co-ordinated admissions and in year admissions processes. For the last 5 years, this has remained broadly unchanged, other than minor adjustments to dates. This year, to accommodate the early start to the first term in 2019/2020, the scheme for Secondary Admissions in 2020 has set later dates than usual for the Kent Test in September 2019. This will not be a permanent change. The rationale is that as well as allowing primary pupils longer to settle into school after the summer break, a later date for 2019 would facilitate the timely, secure delivery of tests to schools and test centres.

### **Test date for pupils in Kent Primary schools**

Thurs 12th September

### **Test date for pupils not in Kent Primary schools**

Sat 14<sup>th</sup> September

### **Assessment decision sent to parents**

Thurs 17th October

### **National closing date for application forms for Secondary School applications**

Thurs 31st October

KCC will also be allowing parents to make changes to the preferences presented by the 31st October deadline right up until the end of November, enabling them to change the preferences they have already registered if they have waited to receive the 11+ results before visiting secondary schools.

## **KENT POLICE AND CRIME COMMISSIONER SURVEY**

The PCC Matthew Scott has made tackling violence a priority for Kent Police, and he has pledged to enhance services for victims of crime and abuse. While the Government has published its own National Strategy, Matthew is keen to see what can be done locally in Kent. He has launched a Violence Reduction Challenge - a yearlong study working with victims, residents, charities, statutory bodies and others to learn about people's experiences of violent crime, its causes, and how it can be tackled.

As part of the Violence Reduction Challenge, Matthew wants to hear from young people about their experiences of violent crime and whether or not it is something you are worried about. The survey can be found at:

[www.kent-pcc.kent.gov.uk/vrc](http://www.kent-pcc.kent.gov.uk/vrc)

You will not be asked for your name or your school and no one will know what answers you have put. This does mean, however, that the PCC will be unable to contact you to talk to you about any crimes you might tell them about. If you have been a victim of crime, you should report it to Kent Police so they can help you.

Also, before you start the survey, remember that not all violent crimes involve someone being seriously hurt. Things like pushing and shoving are also included and Matthew wants to hear about those too.

### **ASH WEDNESDAY**

Families are warmly invited, to join us at 2pm, on Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> March in the school hall for our Ash Wednesday Service, which will be led by Reverend Andrew and Reverend Roger.

## **MAMA MIA-HERE WE GO AGAIN!**

'MAMA MIA.HERE WE GO AGAIN!' is being screened during half term break at Kilndown Village Hall.

The showings will be on Friday 22nd February at 2pm for families with children and again at 7:30pm, for adults only. £5 Adult/£3 Child  
The doors open from 1:45pm/7:15pm and refreshments will be sold at the venue.

### **OPERATION ENCOMPASS**

We would like to inform parents that the school will be taking part in a jointly run operation with Kent Police, which is known as Operation Encompass.

Operation Encompass has been set-up to help schools to provide support to children who have been present, or exposed to or involved in any domestic abuse incident. We know that children can be significantly physically or emotionally harmed when they witness or are involved, directly or indirectly, with any domestic abuse incident.

The school will receive a confidential email from Kent Police before 12 noon the morning after a child or young person has been exposed to, or involved in, any domestic incident.

Senior staff at our school will use the information that has been shared, in confidence, to ensure that the school is able to make provision for the right support to be available for any child and their family.

We are always keen to offer the best support possible to all our pupils and we believe this will be extremely beneficial for all those involved, if and when such situations arise.

If you have any concerns or questions, then please contact Mrs Bromley.

## SCHOOL DATES 2018/19

Thursday	3 <sup>rd</sup> January 2019	<b>Start of Term 3</b>
Friday	15 <sup>th</sup> February	<b>End of Term - 3.20pm</b>
Monday	25 <sup>th</sup> February	<b>INSET DAY</b>
Tuesday	26 <sup>th</sup> February	<b>Start Term 4</b>
Wednesday	27 <sup>th</sup> February -Every Wednesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> April	Year 4 Forest School
Friday	1 <sup>st</sup> March	Class Photographs
Friday	1 <sup>st</sup> - 8 <sup>th</sup> March	Year 6 Bikeability Training
Wednesday	6 <sup>th</sup> March	Ash Wednesday Service - 2pm School Hall
Wednesday	13 <sup>th</sup> March	Year 3 Class Assembly - 9.00am
Thursday	14 <sup>th</sup> March	Year 1 & 2 Outing Museum of Kent Life
Wednesday	20 <sup>th</sup> March	Year 2 Class Assembly - 9.00am
Thursday	21 <sup>st</sup> March	Year 3 & 4 Outing Museum of Kent Life
Wednesday	27 <sup>th</sup> March	Year 1 Class Assembly - 9.00am
Friday	29 <sup>th</sup> March	Mothering Sunday Breakfast
Wednesday	3 <sup>rd</sup> April	Year R Class Assembly - 9.00am
Thursday	4 <sup>th</sup> April	PTA Second hand Uniform Sale - Drop Off & Pick UP
Thursday	4 <sup>th</sup> April	PTA Easter Disco - 5pm
Friday	5 <sup>th</sup> April	9.30am Easter Service at St Mary's Church <b>End of Term - 3.20pm</b>