



# NEWSLETTER

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

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### HEADTEACHER AWARDS

Ruby Class (Yr R)-Finley

Attwood

Emerald Class (Yr 1)-Oliver  
Chesnutt

Topaz Class- (Yr 2)-Ava

Delman

Amber Class- (Yr 3)-Jack

Duggan

Sapphire Class- (Yr 4)-Freddie  
Martin-Young

Garnet Class-(Yr 5)-Annabelle  
Chartres

Diamond Class-(Yr 6)-Charles  
Vickerman

'Oscar'- Year 5 will nominate a  
winner for next week

Best Manners Award-Brandon  
Baker & Rory Marshall

### COMPLAINT

It is with disappointment that we have to share two very serious complaints received this week from our neighbours, regarding parent parking and cars in Pearse Place.

The first complaint is regarding the following vehicles: a silver VW Passat reg GLO8 XJE and a red fiat reg GU59 NHX which blocked driveways preventing residents from moving into and out of their properties.

Most distressing is that one of the driveways is that of a disabled lady who relies on crutches for mobility and was left stranded in her car until the parent vehicles had moved. In another incident a resident car in the Resident Parking area opposite the school was damaged due to parents driving up and turning at the top of Pearse Place.

### BMX SUCCESS CONTINUES



Last Wednesday Year 5 pupil Zachary travelled to Blackpool to take part in the British BMX championships.

Throughout the summer Zachary has been taking part in the south region series, and has now been ranked no. 11 in his age group.

This weekend he will be going to Bournemouth for the weekend, racing in the South Championships and raising money for MIND the mental health charity.

### WARBURTONS HEALTHY EATING DAY

On Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> October we are delighted to be welcoming Laura Fiddimore from bakery company Warburton's, who will be leading a 'Farm to Fork' healthy eating day with Year 3 and Year 4.

During these fun and informative workshops and practical cookery sessions the children will be learning about healthy eating information and bringing home a booklet to share with their whole family together with a delicious sandwich - made by themselves. Each booklet will also have a family quiz to do together at home.

### PIZZA EXPRESS

Where our food comes from and how we make things to eat is also the theme for Ruby Class who have been invited behind the scenes at Pizza Express where they will learn how to make a pizza and even make one of their own to bring home!

This trip will take place on Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> October and Mrs Connors has sent an information letter to all Ruby Class parents.

### LAMBERHURST ROAD SAFETY WEEK

Next week we are taking part in a Road Safety awareness week with our pupils and parents. Our PCSO Dave Jenkins will be visiting school to talk to each class and our Year 6 Road Safety Officers will also be promoting safe behaviours for our pupils and raising awareness of Road Safety. We will be using this week as an opportunity to monitor vehicles in Pearse Place and remind children about behaviour in vehicles when adults are driving and to always wear their seatbelts.

### NHS SUPPORT WEBSITE

Pupils and parents can use a new NHS website to get support or general health and wellbeing advice:

<https://www.kentyouthhealth.nhs.uk/>

Alternatively, text  
077123456789

## **WHO IS ELIGIBLE FOR FREE SCHOOL MEALS?**

Free school meals are available to pupils in receipt of, or whose parents are in receipt of, one or more of the following benefits:

- Universal Credit (provided you have an annual net earned income of no more than £7,400, as assessed by earnings from up to three of your most recent assessment periods)
- Income Support
- Income-based Jobseeker's Allowance
- Income-related Employment and Support Allowance
- Support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- The guarantee element of Pension Credit
- Child Tax Credit (provided you're not also entitled to Working Tax Credit and have an annual gross income of no more than £16,190)
- Working Tax Credit run-on - paid for four weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit

In addition, the following pupils will be protected against losing their free school meals as follows

- From 1 April 2018, all existing free school meals claimants will continue to receive free school meals whilst Universal Credit is rolled out. This will apply even if their earnings rise above the new threshold during that time.

- In addition, any child gaining eligibility for free school meals after 1 April 2018 will be protected against losing free school meals during the Universal Credit rollout period.

• Once Universal Credit is fully rolled out, any existing claimants that no longer meet the eligibility criteria at that point (because they are earning above the threshold or are no longer a recipient of Universal Credit) will continue to receive free school meals until the end of their current phase of education (i.e. primary or secondary). The Universal Credit rollout is currently expected to complete in March 2022.

For support and advice from the team, phone 0300 123 4496 (Mon - Fri, 8am - 6pm)

## **SECONDARY SCHOOL INFORMATION**

### **St Gregory's Catholic School**

in Tunbridge Wells will be holding open mornings on Wednesday 26th and Thursday 27th September from 9am to 11am (last tour at 10.15am). Open evening will be on Thursday 27th September from 4.30pm to 7.30pm with the Principal talking at 4.30pm and 6pm. No need to book. Parking available on the school site. All Welcome!

St Gregory's is an Ofsted Outstanding school, co-educational with a strong family ethos which helps young people to succeed, not just academically but as a well-balanced individual. The school prides itself on first rate pastoral care and support in enabling students to grow in the understanding of their faith and has recently been rated 'Outstanding' by the Diocese in their denominational inspection.

**Kent College Pembury** Open Morning is on Saturday 6th October. It is an event with a difference as they are inviting prospective families to follow the time travel

adventure around Kent College and solve challenges. Families will have the chance to meet staff and current pupils, tour facilities and take part in interactive activities.

Their second Open Morning, on Tuesday 16th October, offers parents the chance to learn how each of their girls has a bespoke academic programme and to see a 'typical' school day.

For girls seeking admission to Kent College in September 2019 Entrance and Scholarship Assessment dates are listed on their website.

### **The Judd School** Open

Morning Tours - Tues 16th, Wed 17th, Thurs 18th Oct 9.30-10.30am

The Open Morning Tours are for Year 6 students and parents ONLY following the 11+ results which are released 11th October.

Bookings are essential via the Judd online system. More details and a link will appear on the website nearer the time. These mornings will involve a guided tour of the school on a normal working day. Please note that there is no Headteacher talk, however, after the tours there are refreshments served in the Schoolroom and an opportunity to put questions to the Senior Leadership Team. Open Evening for Year 5 & below - Thursday 4th July 2019, 4.30-8.00pm, no booking is required.

### **Today you will also receive via ParentMail:**

Year R & Year 6 ~ NHS Heights and weights

Every Family ~ Get into Teaching Flyer

Every Family ~ Cranbrook Literature Festival 2018

## SCHOOL DATES 2018/19

Wednesday	5 <sup>th</sup> September	<b>Start of Term 1</b>
Tuesday	11 <sup>th</sup> September-4 <sup>th</sup> December	Sapphire, Garnet & Diamond Class Swimming lessons
Monday	24 <sup>th</sup> September- 28 <sup>th</sup> September	Lamberhurst Road Safety Week
Monday	1 <sup>st</sup> October	Ruby Class- Kent Messenger Photograph
Tuesday	2 <sup>nd</sup> October	Amber & Sapphire Class Warburton's Healthy Eating Farm to Fork day
Thursday	4 <sup>th</sup> October	Ruby & Diamond Class Heights & Weights Check
Friday	5 <sup>th</sup> October	Harvest Service 9.30am St Mary's Church
Monday	15 <sup>th</sup> October	Parent Consultations 3pm-5.30pm & Book Fair Sale
Tuesday	16 <sup>th</sup> October	Parent Consultations 8.00am-9.20am & Book Fair Sale
Wednesday	17 <sup>th</sup> October	Parent Consultations 8.00am-9.20am & Book Fair Sale
Wednesday	17 <sup>th</sup> October	Ruby Class Trip - Pizza Express, Tunbridge Wells Parents to drop off 9.25am and collect 10.45am
Thursday	18 <sup>th</sup> October	PTA Halloween Disco 5pm - 6.30pm
Friday	19 <sup>th</sup> October	<b>End of Term 3.20pm or after clubs</b>
Monday	29 <sup>th</sup> October	<b>Start of Term 2</b>
Wednesday	31 <sup>st</sup> October	Garnet & Diamond Class -Private Peaceful 8.20am Drop Off
Wednesday	31 <sup>st</sup> October - 1 <sup>st</sup> November	Amber, Sapphire, Garnet and Diamond Class STEM Design and Technology days
Friday	2 <sup>nd</sup> November	Happy Bag Collection 9.00 am
Wednesday	7 <sup>th</sup> November (9 <sup>th</sup> & 14 <sup>th</sup> November)	Amber & Sapphire Class High Weald Mapping Workshops
Friday	9 <sup>th</sup> November	11 am School Remembrance Silence
Monday	19 <sup>th</sup> November	Road Safety Awareness Week
Monday	3 <sup>rd</sup> December	Immunisation Programme Yr R -Yr 6
Tuesday	4 <sup>th</sup> December	Emerald & Topaz Class Carol singing at the 'Caring Group' lunch in Lamberhurst
Wednesday	12 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas Performance -2pm
Thursday	13 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas Performance -2pm
Friday	14 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas Performance -2pm
Monday	17 <sup>th</sup> December	PTA Christmas Market
Thursday	20 <sup>th</sup> December	9.30am Christmas Church Service Christmas Lunch for Staff, Governors and Pupils <b>End of Term 2pm</b> Nutcracker Outing to London 7.30pm
Thursday	3 <sup>rd</sup> January 2019	<b>Start of Term 3</b>