



# NEWSLETTER

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

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### HEADTEACHER AWARDS

Ruby Class (Yr R)-Hugo Day  
Emerald Class (Yr 1)-Lilith Weale

Topaz Class- (Yr 2)-Eliza Parkinson

Amber Class- (Yr 3)-Sam Dinwoodie

Sapphire Class- (Yr 4)-Ava Goldfinch

Garnet Class-(Yr 5)-Poppy Davis

Diamond Class-(Yr 6)-Alfie Pilcher

'Oscar' Chosen by Emerald Class-Giavanna Alkins (Ruby Class)

Best Manners Award-Finley Attwood & Taylor McKie

### YEAR 6 ASSEMBLY

Year 6 will be leading our assembly Worship next Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> January. The Assembly will begin at 9.05am and will last for about 15 minutes. Parents and family members are warmly invited to join us.

A reminder of the Class Assembly Worship timetable for the rest of this term is:

Wed 6<sup>th</sup> February - Y5

Wed 13<sup>th</sup> February - Y4

Half term break

Wed 6<sup>th</sup> March -Ash

Wednesday Service in the school hall - 2pm

Wed 13<sup>th</sup> March - Y3

Wed 20<sup>th</sup> March - Y2

Wed 27<sup>th</sup> March - Y1

Wed 3<sup>rd</sup> April - YR

### PARENT CONSULTATIONS

Parent Consultations will be taking place on Monday 11<sup>th</sup>, Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> and Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> February.

We are very pleased to announce that a new booking service is being put in place to make booking for Consultation appointments more accessible and convenient for parents.

The service on ParentMail will go live from next Wednesday evening 30<sup>th</sup> January (5pm) to make bookings for the February Consultations.

We would be very grateful for feedback from parents regarding this new service.

### WASTE WEEK

During the week of 11<sup>th</sup> March, Year 4 will be leading us in a 'Waste Week'.

The class will be using resources from 'The Pod', EDF Energy's digital schools programme. The theme for 2019 is plastic waste! This is something that the children recognise is a big problem in today's world.

They will carry out a plastic waste audit, looking at the different types of plastic we use and see if we can change the amount of waste we produce. Also, they will discover the pros and cons of plastic and find out many fascinating facts, for example 'Did you know that 95% of plastic packaging is wasted after a single use?'

For more information, go to: [jointhepod.org](http://jointhepod.org).

### FOREST SCHOOL NEWS!

The PTA has now raised enough money to proceed with a fully funded Forest School Programme for our pupils. Each class will have a 2 hour per week 'Forest School' session, with 15 pupils per group, taking place either am or pm on the following dates: Further reminders will be included in the newsletter with information regarding clothing.

Year 4: Wed 27/2, 13/3, 20/3, 27/3, 3/4

Year 3: Wed 1/5, 8/5, 15/5, 22/5, (1/2 term break) 5/6

Year 1: Mon 20/5, 3/6, 10/6

Year 6: All day Fri 7/6

Year 2: Wed 12/6, 19/6, Tue 25/6, 3/7, 10/7

Year 5 will be taking part in Scotney outdoor learning projects and will be joining the Forest School lessons from September.

Next academic year Lorna Wyrill, the Forest School Leader has been booked every Wednesday going forward and the plan is that each year group, including Year 5 will have a 3-week block rotating throughout the year.

Each class would also like to have a parent helper for the sessions. Please contact your child's class teacher if you can help them.

## NSPCC-HELPING OUT TO HELP OTHERS

On Friday 8<sup>th</sup> February we will be taking part in some special training assemblies and workshops, delivered by NSPCC as part of their 'Speak Out Stay Safe' programme.

All pupils will take part in an age appropriate assembly presentation and Y5 & 6 will have additional workshops. As part of this initiative NSPCC ask schools to support their fundraising.

We have therefore planned for our pupils to get 2-3 sponsors and to take on some 'jobs' over the weekend of 9<sup>th</sup>-10<sup>th</sup> February. The money that they earn/raise will be donated to NSPCC.

We will emphasise to the children that they must have parent permission before carrying out any jobs for family/neighbours/friends.

A sponsored jobs form will be sent next Friday for children to begin to collect pledges for their 'Helping Out to Help Others' jobs.

## PTA GROW A POUND

We will be inviting the children to take part in the PTA Grow a Pound fundraising activity over Easter break again this year.

This will, as last year be an optional activity, but this year it will be open to all year groups.

In discussion with the PTA Committee we have proposed and agreed that this year any money that we are able to raise will be donated to 'Hospice in the Weald' in memory of one of our Mums, Hannah West, who died recently and was cared for by the hospice.

We know that James, Poppy and Hannah's family will be most appreciative of this school community effort.

## OUR SCHOOL PRAYER AND BLESSING

Existing families and those who are new to our school may like a reminder of our school prayer which most of our pupils know and are able to recite during our Assembly Worship.

We also have a special 'Sending Blessing' with actions which the children use regularly at the end of an assembly worship. Do ask the children to share this with you-it was written especially for our school.

*Dear Lord,*

*Let there be 'Learning for life in the love of God' and let it begin at Lamberhurst School*

*Let there be peace and let it begin with my friendship.*

*Let there be love and let it begin in my heart.*

*Let there be happiness and let it begin with my smile.*

*Let there be forgiveness and let it begin with me.*

*Let my prayer be answered and let it begin with my faith today. Amen*

*May God the Father Bless us,  
May God the Son take care of us,  
May God the Spirit help us to understand all the day of our lives. Amen*



## BETHANY SCHOOL

Bethany School, Goudhurst will be holding an Open Morning on Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> February 10am-1pm.

This will be followed by another event on Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> March 9am-11.30am. Individual visits are also possible by appointment for those not able to attend Open Day events.

[www.bethanyschool.org.uk/visit](http://www.bethanyschool.org.uk/visit)

## SKINNERS KENT ACADEMY

The Skinners' Kent Academy will be holding tours for prospective parents, once a month from February to June 2019. The tours will take place on the below dates and they are currently available to book via the Academy website:

<https://www.skinnerskentacademy.org.uk/academy-tours.html>

Tues 12<sup>th</sup> February, Tues 26<sup>th</sup> March, Mon 29<sup>th</sup> April, Thurs 23<sup>rd</sup> May, Wed 12<sup>th</sup> June

## LOCAL AREA INSPECTION OF THE EFFECTIVENESS OF SEND IN KENT

We have been asked to inform parents of the forthcoming Inspection of Kent's effectiveness in identifying and meeting the needs of, and improving outcomes for, children and young people who have special educational needs and/or disabilities.

The Inspection will be taking place from Monday 28<sup>th</sup> January to 1<sup>st</sup> February and will be carried out jointly by Ofsted and the Care Quality Commission (CQC).

The Parent and Carer letter with further details of this inspection is being sent as an attachment to this newsletter.

This inspection is not a school inspection but focussing on the Kent County provision of services.

### Today you will also receive:

Every Family via ParentMail ~  
Local SEND Inspection  
Information letter.

## SCHOOL DATES 2018/19

Thursday	3 <sup>rd</sup> January 2019	<b>Start of Term 3</b>
Wednesday	30 <sup>th</sup> January	Year 6 Class Assembly - 9.00am
Tuesday	5 <sup>th</sup> February	Ruby Class & Parent Outing to Bore Place
Wednesday	6 <sup>th</sup> February	Year 5 Class Assembly - 9.00am
Monday	11 <sup>th</sup> February	Parent Consultations - 3-5.30pm
Tuesday	12 <sup>th</sup> February	Parent Consultations - 8-9.20am
Wednesday	13 <sup>th</sup> February	Parent Consultations - 8-8.50am
Wednesday	13 <sup>th</sup> February	Year 4 Class Assembly - 9.00am
Thursday	14 <sup>th</sup> February	PTA Film Evening - 5-6.30pm
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>
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>