



NEWSLETTER

LAMBERHURST ST MARY'S CE PRIMARY SCHOOL WEEKLY NEWS

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HEADTEACHER AWARDS

Ruby Class (Yr R)-Bo Cohen
Emerald Class (Yr 1)-Thomas Harris
Topaz Class- (Yr 2)-Isabella Cowan
Amber Class- (Yr 3)-Olivia Janice
Sapphire Class- (Yr 4)-Seth Wingfield
Garnet Class-(Yr 5)-Isabelle Barty
Diamond Class-(Yr 6)-Harriet Fuller
'Oscar'- Ptolemy Coates
Best Manners Award-Willow Panteney & Elliot Buckman

COMMUNITY CINEMA

The Lamberhurst Village Community Cinema is screening 'The Greatest Showman' on Thursday 6th Dec at 8.00pm. Megan, Isabelle, Mikaela, Annabel and Evie, all from Year 5 will also be performing an opening dance number for this evening. Tickets are available on the door or via the Village Facebook Site link.

POPPY APPEAL

Roy Bullock MBE who is our Local Honorary Organiser representing The Royal British Legion, has sent a card of thanks to everyone at Lamberhurst St Mary's following our collection for the Poppy Appeal 2018. We raised £151.22

Today by Parentmail you will receive:

- PTA Calendar & T-Towel Order Form

KARATE DISPLAY

Our Sama Karate coach and the children who attend Karate Club on a Monday, would like to invite parents to a Karate Display 'drop-in' on Monday 10th December at 4.15pm just before pick up. Photographs of your child may be taken at this display. We do ask parents to be mindful if capturing other children in their photographs- that these images should not be shared on social media without the permission of the child's parents.

COOKERY CLUB REPORT



The Nutritional Ninjas cookery club has now finished for the Winter term. We hope that parents enjoyed all the creations that your children have brought home and that they have been proud of the food that they have learnt to make. It's been a fun couple of months in which your children have made ciabatta, vegetable curry, rainbow pizza and gingerbread to name but a few! Thank you for all your support and we look forward to seeing you again soon. Louise



Hanna proudly shows her Gingerbread creations

GREAT NEWS!

Congratulations to our PTA committee and in particular Laura Cowan, who have been successful in our school bid to be finalists for a £500 grant from the Aviva Community Projects Fund. The team are now busy trying upgrade our bid to the full £1500....good luck!

KEY FOUND



This key was found in the school car park some time ago and has not been claimed.

BREAKFAST & CARE CLUB

We would like to inform parents of a temporary change to staffing for Breakfast and After School Care Club for the last 2 weeks of this term, while Elaine recovers from foot surgery. Mrs Daniella Bingham our Site Supervisor will cover during this period.

CONGRATULATIONS REX!

Huge congratulations to Rex in Year 6 for his recent sporting achievements. He has been on trial for the Kent District Football team with 180 talented boys and has asked to join the Kent District Premiership team. He has also trialled for the Kent County FA Schools with over 200 boys and has been selected for their 2018/19 squad of just 18 boys. He has now been asked by scouts to attend Charlton & Arsenal in their development centres.

AS NOVEMBER ENDS.....

As we hurtle into December this weekend we would like to share with you some poignant and moving poetry, written by Year 6 as part of their History and English studies this term and in honour of the 100th Anniversary Remembrance commemorations.



Eventful life by Thea

Smell of death rushes into our trench,
We've heard the sounds of war once again;
Everyone, including me, is groping for the trench ladder, trying to escape.

Bullets flying as quick as lightning while we are charging toward the enemy line;
As one man screams the other man weeps.
Soon it will be me who falls into the death trap.
GAS! GAS! Masks on our faces.
We are departing while the whistling sounds of flares screech at us even more.

Picturing death; I spy my sergeants lifeless body sprawling out across the hard, dirty ground
There's gas entering our bodies.
Plummeting to the ground I hear the last sounds of the dreadful war.



Across the battle field by Jessica

Trudging across the battlefield
A view of bullets skimming across the horizon
Flares thundering through the dim, wintry sky

Clutching our knees to our chests, we try to bite into rations of food
It is mouldy and as hard as old boots
The men try as hard as they can to down it because they know it will do them some good

Hiding in the damp, muddy trenches, gas coming our way
GAS! GAS! We put our gas masks on and duck down
It is coming our way as quick as the rats and mice in the trenches
Bombs are still being fired as quickly as lightning
Will this fighting ever end?

My Last Breath by Jake

Dense, squelching, gloopy mud oozes out from under our hard as nails boots;
Lice bury themselves in the rough, blood-soaked skin of soldiers.
Men are crying out;
All I hear is screaming shells;
What we are going to is hell!
Boom! Another shell lands, another soldier fades.

The near roar of glaring guns makes the ground shudder;
The sky has painted a blood-red crimson colour;
We're as silent as mice stealing cheese whilst we walk to our trench.

We see the enemy marching towards us, clutching their guns, clasping the riggers, ready to fire;
This is it, my last breath;
I just hope I go to heaven!

SAFEGUARDING REMINDER TO ALL PARENTS

Please remember that pupils must always return to the school office if the person who is due to pick them up is delayed. Parents should also ensure that if they see a child waiting near school or in the village to be picked up, that they should remind the child or accompany the child to the school office and not take the child home. This week we have had another, albeit, well-meaning situation which caused anxious moments when a child could not be found when their parent was delayed.

KCC LIBRARIES CONSULTATION

A consultation started on 21st November on the draft Kent County Council Libraries, Registration and Archives strategy for the next three years, including a proposal to tier libraries and review library opening hours.

As some of you may have seen in the local media, Kent County Council is looking at the future direction of Library, Registration and Archive services so that they can build a sustainable service for the future that maximises the positive benefits it can deliver.

The public consultation will run until 29th January 2019 and want everyone to be aware of this and encourage you to consider the draft strategy as they are keen for feedback from your perspective. They want to hear everyone's views before a formal decision is taken.

The draft strategy and the consultation questionnaire can be found online at

www.kent.gov.uk/lrastrategy or paper copies are available in all Kent Libraries, Register Offices & Gateways.

SCHOOL DATES 2018/19

Monday	29 th October	Start of Term 2
Tuesday	30 th October-4 th December	Sapphire, Garnet & Diamond Class Swimming lessons
Monday	3 rd December	Immunisation Programme Yr R -Yr 5
Tuesday	4 th December	Emerald & Topaz Class Carol singing at the 'Caring Group' lunch in Lamberhurst
Thursday	6 th December	Stage Set up 8am - 9 am
Friday	7 th December	PTA Dress Down - Luxury Gift Donation
Wednesday	12 th December	Christmas Performance -2pm
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Thursday	13 th December	Christmas Performance -2pm
Friday	14 th December	Christmas Performance -2pm
Monday	17 th December	PTA Christmas Market
Tuesday	18 th December	Family Trust Pantomime - 1.30pm
Wednesday	19 th December	Class Parties
Thursday	20 th December	9.30am Christmas Church Service Christmas Lunch for Staff, Governors and Pupils End of Term 2pm Nutcracker Outing to London 7.30pm
Thursday	3 rd January 2019	Start of Term 3