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Newsletter



Key Dates

Term Dates 18/19 Term 1

Tuesday 4th September until Friday 19th October

Tuesday 30th October until

Term 2

Tuesday 18th December **Term 3**

Thursday 3rd January until

Friday 15th February

<u>Term 4</u>

Tuesday 26th February until Friday 5th April **Term 5**

Tuesday 23rd April until Friday 24th May **Term 6**

Tuesday 4th June until

Tuesday 23rd July

Headline



As you know, we are very proud of our Personal Social and Health Education (PSHE) that takes place in school. This includes our UNICEF Rights Respecting Schools work too. We have PSHE Association 'Chartered School' status to recognise the good work that the children do around PSHE.

Mrs Marie is a Specialist Leader of Education for PSHE which means that she advises and supports other schools with their PSHE teaching and learning and she also works very closely with other agencies to develop planning documentation and support materials.

For the last couple of years Mrs Marie has been working really closely with the Medway Council Public Health Team and the national PSHE Association and she is one of their key advisors and collaborators.

A couple of weeks ago the Public Health team were nominated for a Medway Council 'Make a Difference Award' and they invited Mrs Marie to join their team for the evening. It was a gala event held at the Corn Exchange. The Make a Difference Awards celebrate successes and recognise the hard work and commitment of those working in the public sector. The awards are a great way to show appreciation for a job well done and demonstrate the quality of people who work for the local area. The team were

nominated for their work on projects to support young people in Medway, working with schools and health professionals. The projects related to preventative materials helping young people stay away from gangs and support with mental health. We are delighted and very proud to announce that the team won the overall award!

Some of the work that Mrs Marie has also been doing with the Public Health team has been to plan Government's new initiative on Sex and Relationship Education, which will become statutory in 2020. We are excited to let you know that we will be piloting these national learning materials next year which will give our children a 'head start' on this important subject. Staff have already received some training and we will be holding parent information sessions beforehand - please watch this space for dates and times of the meetings which we do hope you will be able to attend.





Bags of Help at Tesco

All proceeds will be going to Forest School

Uniform

A navy blue jumper, sweatshirt or cardigan for Years 1 - 6. Royal blue for FS1 and FS2 (Nursery and reception). Navy, black or grey trousers, tailored shorts, skirt or dress/navy and white checked dress. A white or blue polo shirt, shirt or blouse. Flat plain black shoes or trainers (no heels or open toes). Uniform can be ordered from

www.tesco.com/ues

Key Staff

Mrs Mason Headteacher

Mrs Price Deputy Head FS &
KS1

Mr Presneill Deputy Head KS2
Mrs White Chair of Governors

Mrs Prentice SENCO
Mrs Lewis FS Leader
Mrs Price Y1 Leader
Mrs Byrne Y2 Leader
Mrs Marie LKS2 Leader
Mr MacDonald UKS2 Leader

Mrs Liddle Family Liason Officer 07535 696125

This school is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children, achieving equal opportunities and combating discrimination.

We operate a very clear whistleblowing policy for staff.

News

FS2 Christmas walk

Children in FS2 walked to the post box this week to deliver letters to Father Christmas. On the way, they stopped to look at the fantastic decorations outside one of the houses near school. Derik Williams kindly set up all the inflatables, played music and sprayed snow so that the children could enjoy their festive walk. Derik is raising money for Blind Veterans UK. He would be really grateful for any donations put into his bucket outside the house on Singapore Drive.



In the community

Hempstead Valley

Christmas has definitely begun at Hempstead Valley! The grotto is now open and costs £5 per child. The price inculdes a wrapped gift. There is also a traditional carol concert on Sunday 9th December, with stores closing early to provide people with the chance to sing carols from 4.45pm.

Bad Santa in Chatham High Street

Saturday 8th December, the breakdancing Santas have done their rapping and it is now time to get festive in Chatham High Street. They get down to the hottest tracks. If you are shopping in the Pentagon, find on the the elves to pull a cracker with. There might be something other than a hat and a joke!





FOOD HYGIENE AWARD

Brompton-Westbrook's kitchen has been awarded the highest rating for hygiene by Medway Council. All the food prepared by our catering team is made with fresh ingredients on a daily basis. Well done to our lovely catering staff.



Pat On The Back

FS2C - Yasir-Arafir for his use of positional language and Lily-Rose for persevering with her writing challenges this week

FS2L - Aadya and Sam for their use of sounds when writing their Christmas list and letter to father Christmas

FS2S - Isla for fantastic role modelling to the rest of the class Harrison for improvement in writing cvc words

1B - Beau and Lakyia have both been chosen for their fabulous singing and dancing in this week's Christmas performance.

1W - Harvey Griffiths for being a fabulous role model. Alicia Gazi for helping others

2B - Oliver for working hard in maths and completing all tasks set. Riona for her great enthusiasm during the Christmas performance.

2M - The whole class for fabulous and enthusiastic speaking, singing and dancing in our Christmas Show. Finley for persevering and training his letters to sit on the line.

