



Weekly Newsletter – Friday, 3rd May 2024

Message from the Headteacher

Tennis Tournament

We took a team of Year 5 and 6 children to a Tennis tournament at Marke Wood in Deal on Monday. Mr Castle reports: 'the team played some fantastic tennis and showed great teamwork finishing the tournament in 3rd place after missing the final by 1 point. The weather was definitely on our side for an outside tournament' Well done William, Riley, Liza, Violet, Seth and Gil.

Miss Dillon

As we say goodbye to Miss Brett who has started her maternity leave this week we welcome Miss Lucy Dillon to Class 6. Miss Dillon has already been working in our Reception Class this term and is now looking forward to working with our eldest pupils in Class 6.

Statutory Assessment

Children in classes 1, 2, 4 and 6 will be undertaking their statutory and non-statutory assessments during the month of May and June – please see separate letter sent home regarding these assessments.

Class 5 Foraging

This week it was the turn of our Class 5 to go foraging at the Pines Calyx. Mr Oliver reports 'Class 5 were excited this week to be taking part in a fascinating morning workshop. We visited the beautiful gardens of the Pines Calyx where we learnt how to 'forage in the wild'. Our expert guides shared their amazing understanding of the wild plants around us and led us on a path of discovery where we learned how to easily identify a number key plants. It was only when we had been shown these key plants and checked their features that we were given the opportunity to taste them. We enjoyed a refreshing drink of 'sticky weed' cordial along with nettle salad and dandelion straws. The children were a credit to the school and had such a wonderful experience.'

PTFA AGM

Thank you to those of you who attended the PTFA AGM on Monday. I am pleased to advise the current members of the PTFA have agreed to continue in their positions – Mrs Rix & Mrs Elms (Co Chair), Mr Wiltsher (Treasurer) and Mrs Willis (Secretary). I thank them for the time they give to these roles.

Reception Class 2024

Do you have a child born between 1st September 2019 and 31st August 2020? If so they will be eligible to start school in September 2024. We invite families to book an appointment to come and have a look around our school at a time to suit. Please spread the word to anyone you know with a child of the right age.

Long Weekend!

Enjoy the bank holiday weekend – children return to school on Tuesday 7th May.

Helen Comfort – Executive Headteacher

Star Awards

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Class R – Freya

Class 1 – Jack

Class 2 – Isla

Class 3 – Isabelle F

Class 4 - Laila & Leah

Class 5 - Madeleine

Class 6 - Zander



Whole School Attendance

29/04/24 - 03/05/24

97.9%



05/09/23 - date

95.6%





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The children in Class 6 have been working hard to prepare themselves for their statutory tests (SATS) which are coming up later this month. We have been very proud of their determination and resilience surrounding these tests.

In English, the children have been studying Macbeth. They've written narratives based around the scene in which Macbeth approaches the witches in their cavern and also the scene in which the ghost of Banquo comes back to haunt Macbeth at his banquet. In maths, the children have been focusing on position and direction.

I have begun my maternity leave this week and the class are lucky enough to have Miss Dillon who will see them through to the end of the academic year. May I take this opportunity to thank everyone for their kind words, cards and gifts!

Miss Brett

Birthdays

Happy birthday to the following children who celebrate their birthday in May.

Arte	Year 1
Shaianna	Year 4
Matilda	Year 3
Freya	Year 6
Nicholas	Year 3
Oliver	Year 1
Reggie	Year 4
Riley	Year 6
Primrose	Year 2
William	Year 6
Leon	Year R
Adelaide	Year 3



PTFA School Uniform

Our PTFA has a stock of second hand school uniform available.

If you require some good quality, low cost items please contact them through their email stmactfa@gmail.com and they will arrange for the uniform to be left at the school office for you to collect.

If you have any items you are willing to donate to their stock please also contact them via email or bring these into the school office.



The Week Ahead!

Week commencing 6th May 2024

Monday, 6th May

- BANK HOLIDAY** – Pupils not required in school

Tuesday, 7th May

- Class 3 Forest School sessions this week** - please see letter for details
- Class 4 Swimming** - please remember swimming kit/towel, etc.

Wednesday, 8th May

- Class 6 Foraging trip** – see separate letter for details

Thursday, 9th May

- Class 2 trip** – see separate letter for details

Friday, 10th May

- Class 4 trip** – see separate letter for details

New Lunch Menu: Week 1

w/c Monday, 6th May 2024

£2.45 per day

[Menu-April-24.pdf](#)
(wholeschoolmeals.co.uk)

To pay for your meals online, please go to:

<https://www.parentpayshop.co.uk/schools/wsm>

