



Weekly Newsletter – Friday, 6th September 2019

Clubs

The club offer has gone out today via

Parentmail. You will need to submit your requests via the Parentmail 'Forms' system. The deadline is next Friday, 13th September. Notification of places allocated will be sent out the following week. Thank you to staff and volunteers who help to ensure we have this provision.

Change to Lunch Menu - Monday, 9th September

Whole School Meals have advised that on Monday, 9th September they will be serving pasta and not jacket potatoes/wedges with pizza whirl.

Attendance

w/e 6th September 2019

Class R – 100%
Class 1 – 100%
Class 2 – 100%
Class 3 – 96.2%
Class 4 – 96.6%
Class 5 – 93.9%
Class 6 – 99.5%
Whole school – 97.8%



Star Awards

w/e 6th September 2019

Class 1 – Taliesin
Class 2 – Isla & Preston
Class 3 – Rosa & Edward
Class 4 – Jack Fd
Class 5 – Reece
Class 6 – Thomas

Message from the Headteacher

Happy new school year to you all; welcome to our new families and welcome back to our regulars.

The children have settled quickly to the routine of being at school and look smart and ready to learn in their uniforms; thank you for your support with this.

Parent/Teacher Meetings

You will have noticed from the welcome letter sent home on Wednesday that we have hosted parent/teacher meetings this week and will continue to next week. These are an opportunity for you to meet in the classroom with the other parents and the class teacher and to hear about what your child will be doing at school and ways in which you can help. The dates are included below for your reference.

Staff Training

At the beginning of the week we all received training in the use of 'Numicon', a multi-sensory mathematics teaching programme using visual Numicon images in a series of practical teaching activities. When Numicon patterns are arranged in order, pupils begin to notice important connections between numbers for instance that each number is one more than the last and one fewer than the next, odd and even numbers and place value. Numicon illustrates number bonds, addition and subtraction, place value, doubling and halving, estimation, division and multiplication.

The children and staff have already started using these new resources and you may see them in class when you are next in school. Hopefully your child will be able to tell you something about it too! This Youtube link gives you an idea of some of the principles behind the resource <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=yYgwM5Z1tMo>

Mobile 'Phones

Children are not permitted to bring mobile 'phones to school. If your child has a 'phone please ensure that they leave it at home and that it is not in their bag or pocket.

Key Stage 2 Trip to Mother Goose at the Marlowe Theatre, Canterbury

Families of children in Classes 3, 4, 5 and 6 will have received a Parentmail regarding our Christmas pantomime trip. The deadline for returning slip and monies is **Thursday, 26th September**. As the letter explains we have to send back to the Marlowe any unused tickets by this date so the deadline cannot be extended; please support us and your child by responding in good time. Please note that the cost of this trip is partially subsidised by PTFA contributions to the cost of travel.

Helen Comfort

The Week Ahead!

Lunch Menu: Week 2

Week commencing 9th September 2019

NO CLUBS

Class R Parents meeting with class teachers during this week (individual appointments made – see letters)

Monday, 9th September - Class 3 Parent Teacher Meeting at 2:45pm to discuss the year ahead

Tuesday, 10th September – Class 4 Parent Teacher Meeting at 2:45pm to discuss the year ahead

Wednesday, 11th September – Class 5 Parent Teacher Meeting at 2:45pm to discuss the year ahead

Thursday, 12th September – Kent Test Day for Year 6 children who have opted to take test

Friday, 13th September - Class 6 Parent Teacher Meeting at 2:45pm to discuss the year ahead

-Clubs response deadline

