

Term 4 – 26th March 2018



Mershams Primary School

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Thank you very much to all of you who supported our Easter events last week. It was lovely to see so many parents, grandparents and other family and friends in the church on Friday morning for our Easter service. I know that the children thoroughly enjoyed performing and my thanks goes to Miss Hanson and all the other teachers for putting together such a lovely service. Thank you also to everyone who came along to Easter Egg Bingo over the last couple of weeks – the PTA did an amazing job of getting that organised and it was great to see so many children enjoying themselves. It just leaves me to wish you all a very happy Easter break and I look forward to seeing you all again at the start of Term 5.

Mrs C Chalkley
Headteacher

Upcoming Events

29 th Mar	Sports Relief
29 th Mar	End of Term 4
16 th April	Start of Term 5
17 th April	PTA Meeting – 7pm
7 th May	Bank Holiday
14 th May	SATS week for Yr 6
21 st May	Year 6 Residential wk
25 th May	End of Term 5
4 th June	Staff Training Day
5 th June	Start of Term 6
11 th June	Maths Week
13 th July	Sports Day
20 th July	End of Term 6
23/24 July	Staff Training Days

Ashford and District Primary Schools Sports Association Football Tournament.

A team of children from Years 4, 5 and 6 competed in the Middle Sized Schools tournament on Saturday at St Teresa's Primary School. They won the first game and drew their second two games, meaning they were the runners up going into the semi-finals. Unfortunately, they lost to St Teresa's in the semis. However, the team played extremely well and were a credit to the school. Thank you also to Mr Dewey and Mr Haycock for giving up their time on Saturday morning to go along with the team.

Sports Relief

Due to the Easter service, we decided to hold a fund raising day for Sports Relief on Thursday 29th March instead. We are asking that the children come into school dressed as their favourite sports star – past or present. Their £1.00 donation for doing this will go straight to Sport Relief. Exciting sporting activities have been planned for the day.

Reading Award

Well done to Ahlberg class (Year 4) who have won the reading award this week with a huge total of 81% of children in the class reading three times or more during the week. This was closely followed by Attenborough class (Year 1) with 62%, and Hawking class (Year 5) who achieved 52%.

Staffing News

Congratulations to Mrs Lindley who had a little girl on Friday. Tabitha Skye Lindley weighed 6lb 13oz – both mum and baby doing well.

New Report Format

Many thanks to the couple of parents who came along to discuss changes to the annual report format. Their input was invaluable and will shape the way our annual report will look this year.

Term Dates 2018-19

Term 1

Tuesday 4th September – Friday 19th October
Staff Development Day - Monday 3rd September

Term 2

Tuesday 30th October – Wednesday 19th December
Staff Development Day - Monday 29th October

Term 3

Thursday 3rd January – Thursday 14th February
Staff Development Day - Friday 15th February

Term 4

Monday 25th February – Friday 5th April

Term 5

Tuesday 23rd April – Friday 24th May
Bank Holiday – Monday 6th May

Term 6

Monday 3rd June – Friday 19th July
Staff Training Days - Monday 22nd and Tuesday 23rd July

PTA News & Updates

Thank you all so much for coming to the KS1 & KS2 Easter Egg Bingos; we all had a brilliant time, and with your help we have raised £345 for school – we also raised £35 from the sale of refreshments at the Church Service (fab singing again from all the children!). Well done everyone and thank you for your continued support!

Friday 20th April: The next DVD/School Uniform sale will be on Friday 20th April on the playground after school. There are lots of summer dresses and shorts available to buy ready for the Summer Term.

Friday 18th May: Save the Date for an evening of fun!! More details to follow after Easter...

Bird box and Bird Feeder Cameras

We now have two cameras fitted – one in the bird box and one on the bird feeder. Please find links below. We are hoping that nesting will be more successful than last year – there already appears to be some activity!

Bird box: <http://www.seenature.org.uk/schools/mersham-primary-school/>

Bird feeder : <http://www.seenature.org.uk/schools/mersham-primary-school-feeder/>

