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Term 6 – 4<sup>th</sup> June 2018

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# Mersham Primary School

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I hope you have all had an enjoyable half term break. Term 6 is always a busy term so I look forward to seeing you all at the many different events that take place over the next few weeks. Please keep an eye on the newsletters and other communication via Parentmail for all the finalised details.

Mrs C Chalkley  
Headteacher

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## Staffing News

I would like to welcome Miss Aliyah Napolitano to the staff. Miss Napolitano will be an additional teaching assistant in Reception class. I would also like to welcome back Mrs Wilson who officially returns from maternity leave next week. Mrs Wilson will be undertaking the role of Special Educational Needs Co-ordinator (SENCo) only and will be in school part time, for one day per week (Wednesdays).

I would like to thank Mrs McQuillan very much for holding the fort whilst Mrs Wilson has been absent and I very much appreciate all she has done to support children with Special Educational Needs in the school over the last year.

I am also very sad to announce that Mr Turner will be leaving the school on 15<sup>th</sup> June as he has been offered an alternative post that is much closer to where he lives. Mr Turner has done a huge amount to improve the school buildings and grounds in the time that he has been here and he will be sorely missed by staff and children. We are in the process of recruiting a new caretaker and I will update you as soon as I am able to. If you wish to contribute to a leaving collection for either Mrs McQuillan or Mr Turner, please see one of the office staff.

## Walk in Wednesday

Walk in Wednesday will be held this Wednesday from 3:15-3:45pm. Please can I ask that parents leave promptly at 3:45 pm as we have our weekly staff meeting at that time. Should you need

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## Upcoming Events

6 <sup>th</sup> June	Walk in Wednesday
5 <sup>th</sup> June	Start of Term 6
11 <sup>th</sup> June	Maths Week
12 <sup>th</sup> June	PESE Meeting – Yr 5 Parents
13 <sup>th</sup> June	PTA Meeting – 7pm Farriers Arms
14 <sup>th</sup> June	Induction Eve for new Yr R parents
20 <sup>th</sup> June	Class photos
22 <sup>nd</sup> June	Cream Tea
27 <sup>th</sup> June	Constituency meeting CARE Trust 5:00pm
29 <sup>th</sup> June	Non-uniform day – items for Summer Fair
29 <sup>th</sup> June	Leavers Disco (Yr5/6) 6-8pm
4 <sup>th</sup> July	Walk in Wednesday
9 <sup>th</sup> July	Wellbeing Week
13 <sup>th</sup> July	Sports Day
16 <sup>th</sup> July	Reports out to parents
17/18 <sup>th</sup> July	Yr 6 Production
20 <sup>th</sup> July	End of Term 6
23/24 July	Staff Training Days

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## Policy Updates

To meet the requirements of the Data Protection Act 2018, you would have received a copy of the schools updated Privacy Notice. A copy can also be found on the school website. We have also updated the Complaints Policy and that can also be found on the school website.

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longer to speak to your child's class teacher, please feel free to arrange an alternative mutually convenient time when your child's teacher will have more time to discuss any questions you might have.

### **PESE Meeting – Year 5 parents only**

There will be a meeting for Year 5 parents only on Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> June at 3:30pm to explain the Procedure for Entry to Secondary School (PESE) 2018. This will include information about the Kent test including important dates that you need to be aware of.

### **CARE Foundation Trust – Constituency meeting to elect annual parent trustees**

There will be a meeting held at the school on Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> June at 5:00pm to brief any interested parents on the role of the parent trustee as part of the CARE Foundation Trust. Mersham Primary School along with nine other schools in the area are part of the CARE Foundation Trust that is aiming:

- To develop outstanding teaching for all our learners
- To ensure that our education partnership involves working with the wider community
- To harness the practical benefits of a wider working group

The meeting will be led by the Chair of the Trust, Dr Alan Norley (who is also one of our governors) and will provide information about what the role involves and how elections will be organised

### **Payments to the School**

Please can I remind parents that the school is unable to take cash payments. All payments must be made either online or by cheque. We apologise for any inconvenience caused but this is due to increasing expenses incurred by the school through accepting cash.

### **Class Assemblies for Terms 5 and 6**

These assemblies will be performed at 9:05am in the school hall. Dates are as follows:

7<sup>th</sup> June : Hawking Class (Year 5)

14<sup>th</sup> June : Churchill Class (Year 6)

21<sup>st</sup> June : Kinney class (Year 3)

28<sup>th</sup> June : Attenborough Class (Year1)

5<sup>th</sup> July : Donaldson Class (Year R)

12<sup>th</sup> July : Nightingale Class (Year 2)

### **Term Dates 2018-19**

#### **Term 1**

Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> September – Friday 19<sup>th</sup> October

Staff Development Day - Monday 3<sup>rd</sup>

September

#### **Term 2**

Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> October – Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup>

December

Staff Development Day - Monday 29<sup>th</sup>

October

#### **Term 3**

Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> January – Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> February

Staff Development Day - Friday 15<sup>th</sup> February

#### **Term 4**

Monday 25<sup>th</sup> February – Friday 5<sup>th</sup> April

#### **Term 5**

Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> April – Friday 24<sup>th</sup> May

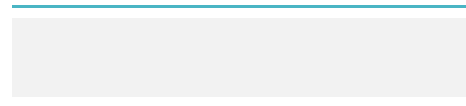
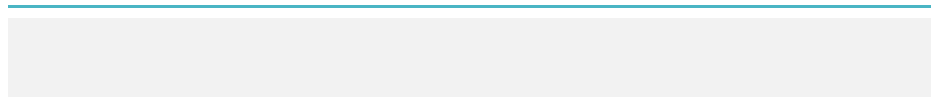
Bank Holiday – Monday 6<sup>th</sup> May

#### **Term 6**

Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> June – Friday 19<sup>th</sup> July

Staff Training Days - Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> and Tuesday

23<sup>rd</sup> July



## **Message from Miss Sexton and Mrs Maher**

For those of you that came along to the quiz earlier in the year and supported Miss Sexton and Mrs Maher in raising money for MacMillan Cancer Support you may be interested to know that they both completed the 100K (62 mile walk) from London to Brighton at the start of the half term break. It took them just over 29 hours and was an amazing achievement! They have raised approximately £1500 to date – Congratulations to them both!

## **Bird box and Bird Feeder Cameras –**

Sadly the chicks did not survive – let's hope it will be successful next time.

## **After School Clubs**

All after school clubs are back to normal this week. It will be the last Mr Turner's football club this week (today).

## **PTA News & Updates**

Summer Fair

Preparations are now well under way for this year's Summer Fair which will take place after Sports day on 13th July. As usual we have lots of fun stalls and activities planned but it is only possible to run these if we have sufficient parent helpers. If you can help set up, run a stall or clear up afterwards please let us know. Louise Morgan is coordinating the list of volunteers. We are always looking for new ideas for stalls so if you been to a fete recently and saw something you think we should try then again let us know.

Class R parents

Your child will shortly be receiving a new tee-shirt in their house colours. This is a small present from the PTA to be worn on Sports day.

Cream Teas

As always we would be grateful for any donations of cakes/scones for Cream Teas on Friday 22nd June. A paper plate reminder will be coming home in book bags soon.

Ice Cream Friday

We will be selling ice creams after school this Friday as usual.

13<sup>th</sup> June: PTA meeting 7pm The Farriers Arms. All welcome!

