
Term 1 – 10th September 2018

Mersham Primary School

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A very warm welcome to all our new pupils who have started in Year R today. The children will be doing half days until the end of this week to help them settle in and will then be in full time from the 17th September. Miss Ireland has organised a whole range of exciting activities based around The Gingerbread Man which the children have already started to thoroughly enjoy. I look forward to getting to know them all!

Mrs C Chalkley
Headteacher

School Photographs – 11th and 12th September

Just a reminder that individual school photographs will be taken this Tuesday and Wednesday – please make sure you have a school jumper! If you have younger children in the family and you would like to include them in photographs, Sarah Prescott the photographer will be available from 8am each morning.

Drop off in the mornings

Please can I remind all parents that you should say your goodbyes and leave the playground promptly at the **first** bell at 8:50am and not wait until the children have gone into class. This is for safeguarding and health and safety reasons. Thank you.

Uniform

Please ensure that all uniform, as well as other belongings are clearly labelled with your child's name. We always seem to have a huge amount of lost property and if items are clearly labelled, it makes it much easier to return them to the right person. Please also make sure that your child has a named PE kit in school.

Current Year 6 Parents only

Highworth Grammar School will be holding an Open Evening and Open Morning for prospective students and parents on Thursday 18 October 2018 – Open Evening and Friday 19 October – Open Morning)



Upcoming Events

11/12 Sept	School photos
19 th Sept	PTA AGM – 7pm at The Farriers
12 th Oct	Harvest - 9:45am
19 th Oct	End of term 1
29 th Oct	Staff Training Day
30 th Oct	Start of term 2
12 th Nov	Parents Eve 5:00-7:30pm
13 th Nov	Parents Eve 3:30pm-6:00pm
22 nd Nov	Flu Vaccinations Yrs R-5
10 th , 11 th	KS1 Performances
13 th Dec	all at 2:00pm
14 th Dec	Carol Service - 9:45am
14 th Dec	Pantomime
19 th Dec	End of Term 2

Mersham Monkeys

Please note that Mersham Monkeys (mother and toddler group) will start this week - Tuesday 11th September at 9:00-11:00am, in the hall. Any parent who has a child under school age is welcome to come along.

Try School Dinners!

Caterlink, who are contracted to provide our school dinners will be doing a menu demonstration for new parents on Friday at 1.15pm in the hall. Other parents are also welcome to come along.

Norton Knatchbull Open Morning/Evening

Wednesday 19th September – see the school 'in action'.

Guided tours from 9.15-11.15 am – final tours at 10.15 am

Please call or email to book a tour 01233 620045/ events@nks.kent.sch.uk Open Evening -

Wednesday 26th September, 6.00-8.00 pm – meet staff and students. Talks by the Headteacher at 6.15 and 7.15pm

Class Assemblies for Terms 1 and 2

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

11th October : Attenborough class (Year 1)

18th October : Donaldson class (Year R)

1st November : Nightingale class (Year 2)

8th November : Churchill class (Year 6)

15th November : Hawking class (Year 5)

22nd November : Kinney class (Year 3)

29th November : Alhberg class (Year 4)

Parent Volunteers

If any parents (or grandparents) have some time to spare and would be interested in volunteering at the school, please do let Miss Hanson or the office staff know. Miss Hanson will be able to provide you with further information about what volunteering involves. We are particularly looking for parents who would be able to listen to children read. For your information, our policy is that volunteers would not work in the same class as their children.

Clubs

Information regarding clubs this year will be coming out to parents by the end of next week at the latest. We would appreciate your patience in the interim whilst we get things organised.

After School Club Update – Abigail Packham at Mersham Little Stars

Abigail has said that she has had a lot of interest from parents over the holiday regarding after school provision at the Village Hall which is really positive. However, she has asked me to pass on that unfortunately she has had to delay the opening of the after school club, but plans to run it from the end of October, from the start of Term 2. She will provide a further update as soon as possible including prices and the systems that will be put in place to collect children from Mersham. The club will run until 6pm Monday, Wednesday and Friday.

