

Informer Number 1

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Welcome: A very warm welcome to our new Reception children and to Rojus Pinskis in Year 1.



Congratulations: Congratulations to Mr and Mrs Page on the safe arrival of baby Sam.

Harvest Festival: This year we will be supporting Gravesham Foodbank for harvest festival. An email was sent this week containing the 'Wish list' of items needed. If you would like to make a donation please bring your items into school w/c Monday 26th September.

Vacancy: We require a midday supervisor salaried at Kent Range 2 (min £13,937 max £14,951 p.a. pro-rata) 12noon – 1.15pm. Please ask at the school office if you are interested.

Jack Howard collection: On Wednesday 21st September we held a non-uniform day to support local boy Jack Howard. Thank you so much for all your donations which raised a total of £707.66. If you would still like to donate please visit: <http://www.crowdfunder.co.uk/jack-howard/>.

Phil the Bag: The next collection will be on Friday 4th November. Please bring bags to the school office during the week of 31st Oct-3rd Nov to prevent us being too cluttered for too long. We collect adult and children's clothing, shoes, handbags, belts, hats, curtains, towels and bedding.

Uniform: Please could you ensure that your child has black school shoes. Boots are not suitable for school nor are soft trainers that provide no protection from the rain. Socks must be grey or white.

PE Kit: Children must wear a PE t-shirt in their house colour. Girls may wear black cycling shorts but they need to be longer (mid-thigh length) please.

Facebook: The school Facebook page is regularly updated with information to keep you informed. If you do not have a Facebook account, the information will be available via the newsletters as usual. We may post pictures of children to Facebook if you have given parental permission. Please also remember to use Facebook and other forms of social media in a responsible manner.

After School Clubs: Clubs will continue until w/c 5th December. As we have a waiting list for most clubs, please advise the office if you no longer require the space so we can offer it to another child. [Please use the side gate when collecting from clubs.](#)

Drinking water: Children should only have water in their drink bottle and not juice please.

Nuts: Reminder that we are a nut free school. Please do not include any type of nuts in your child's packed lunch or for their snack.

Admissions: Please be aware that the admissions policy regarding the sibling link for reception children has changed. If you have moved further away from the school since the older sibling joined the sibling link will no longer apply and your application for a reception place will be based on distance from the school at your current home address.

Parent Forum: Would you like to be a part of our Parent Forum? We meet three times per year to discuss issues raised and the minutes are shared on our website. Please contact the school office if you would be willing to join us in improving the school and being part of a school body which makes improvements to the educational experience of your children.

Productions this term: Due to a lack of space, and in order to raise the quality of the experience for pupils, we are changing how we organise school productions this year.

YrR, 1 & 2—Nativity at Christmas with two afternoon performances.

Yr3 & 4—Panto with one evening performance.

Yr5 & 6—'Not Forgotten'—A play about wartime with one evening performance.

KS2 performances are written and directed by Jane Chappell.

Comedy Night: Our next Comedy Night will be held on Friday 14th October in support of Stand Up To Cancer. Tickets cost £10 and are available from the school office. Bring your own drinks and nibbles.

Dates for your diary:

Fri 30th Sep—Harvest assembly (children only)

Fri 14th Oct—Reading Café for YrR—2.30pm

Fri 14th Oct—Comedy Night

Wed 19th Oct—Yr 6 assembly—9am

Thu 20th Oct—Parent consultations (Not YrR)

Fri 21st Oct—End of term 1

Mon 24th Oct to Fri 28th Oct—Half term

Mon 31st Oct—Start of term 2

Wed 2nd Nov— Reception Coffee Morning—9am

Thu 3rd Nov—Yr1 trip to Historic Dockyard Chatham

Fri 4th Nov—Nature Day 2

Fri 4th Nov—Phil the Bag collection

Fri 11th Nov—Yr3 & 4 Cinema trip

Fri 11th Nov—Yr5 & 6 production—7pm

Tue 15th Nov—Yr5 assembly—9am

Wed 16th Nov—YrR, 1 & 2 Cinema trip

Thu 17th Nov—Yr4 assembly—9am

Tue 22nd Nov—Yr3 assembly—9am

Wed 23rd Nov—Yr5 & 6 Cinema trip

Thu 24th Nov —Yr2 assembly—9am

Wed 30th Nov—Yr1 assembly—9am

Thu 1st Dec—Movie night—4pm

Wed 7th Dec—R & KS1 nativity—2pm

Thu 8th Dec—R & KS1 nativity—9.30am

Thu 15th Dec—Yr3 & 4 Panto—7pm

Fri 16th Dec—End of term 2

Tue 3rd Jan— Start of term 3