Newsletter

Monday 16th September 2024

Upcoming events this week:

- Phonics and Reading workshop for parents and carers – 3.15pm, hall
- Outdoor Learning Day offsite – Mighty Oaks, Friday (forest school clothes and packed lunch please)

THIS WEEK: Reading and Phonics Workshop

Mr Stanley, our English leader, is running a workshop for parents after school tomorrow, Tuesday (17th Sept). This will take place in the hall. Please come along if you can as he will share lots on supporting your child in this important area.

HELP: Things we need/are collecting

To help us improve site, we are looking for the following things. If you have any of these things going spare, please let us know! We are also looking for things for playtimes and the Rainbow Room.

- Compost
- Plug plants for autumn/winter
- Outside paint or varnish (for picnic benches)
- Second hand picnic benches
- Shingle/small pebbles
- Weed matting
- Tyres
- Large wooden blocks or logs
- Mud kitchen, old pots, pans, utensils
- Buckets and spades
- Old clothes with sequin patches
- Different textured fabric, such as fur

NEWS: Playtimes

Over this year, we are working on imporving playtimes for the children. We have our new Sports Leaders, leading different games for different age groups and we also want to provide the children with a range of spaces and equipment to faciliate imaginative and creative play. Our goal is to provide something for everyone. We are collecting different items to faciliate this. Some of the areas we hope to set up include:

- Mud kitchen
- Digging area
- Quiet area
- Construction area

All of these will further supoort our quest to enjoy our natural, outside environment.

As wetter weather approaches, we hope to continue to use the field as much as we can so wellies are essential please, as is a coat/waterproof jacket so children can go out to play as much as possible.

NEWS: Green Gang

This year we have an exciting project for Green Gang! We are linking with a Secondary School in Faversham who are going to work with the gang on our garden areas. This includes the area next to the kitchen, which will be half for the bunnies and half a garden. We will keep you posted on this as we go!

NEWS: School Council Representatives

We are pleased to share our new School Council Representatives for this year. Our representatives for each class were voted for in July. The reps will work alongside the senior leadership team and the School Captain, Imogen, on many different matters, such as events, site, safeguarding etc.

Year 1: Cherry

Year 2: Johan

Year 3: Tommy

Year 4: Sebastien

Year 5: Georgie

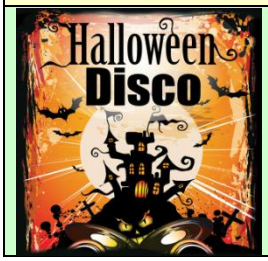
Year 6: Katie

Well done to these children!

NEWS: Brook Summer Bash

A huge thank you to Laura Curtis for organising the summer bash over the holidays. This event raised **£132.55** for the school.

This money, along with the fundraising from last year, will go towards developing our pond area. Once the pond is complete, fundraising will go towards our playtime plans (see above).



DIARY DATE: Halloween Disco

We are pleased to announce there will be a Halloween Disco for all children on Friday 18th October after school. Information on tickets coming soon!

2024-2025 Calendar

Every effort will be made to keep these dates in place but please be aware, changes may occur.

Updates/changes are highlighted.

TERM 1 – 2024/25			
Week	**Day/Date**	**Event**	**Further information**
3	Tues 17th Sept	Phonics and reading parent workshop	Hall, 3.15pm
	Fri 20th Sept	Environment-led learning – Mighty Oaks	Off-site
4	Thurs 26th Sept	Environment-led learning – Young Oaks	Off-site
5	Fri 4th Oct	Environment-led learning – Saplings	Off-site
6	Tues 8th Oct	Individual School Photos	
	Thurs 10th Oct	Mental Health Day – wear yellow	
	Fri 11th Oct	SEN/D Provision Review Meetings	By Invitation
7	Wed 16th Oct	Class Assembly – Mighty Oaks	Hall, 9.00am
	Thurs 17th Oct	Environment-led learning – Young Oaks	Off-site
	Fri 18th Oct	Environment-led learning – Mighty Oaks	Off-site
	Fri 18th Oct	Coffee Morning	Library, 9.00am
	Fri 18th Oct	Halloween Disco	3.15 -5.00pm
	Sat 19th Oct	Open Morning for Prospective Year R	10am, Sept 2025 intake
8		Black History Week	
	Mon 21st Oct	Parents' Evening Meetings	3.30-6.00, all classes
	Tues 22nd Oct	Parents' Evening Meetings	3.30 – 6.00, MO and YO
	Thurs 25th Oct	Harvest Festival – St. Mary's Church	9.30am, all welcome
	Thurs 25th Oct	BRILLIANT BROOK DAY - Enrichment	Saplings – Road and Rail safety Young Oaks – First Aid Mighty Oaks – Fire and Water safety
	Thurs 25th Oct	**End of Term 1**	
	Fri 26th Oct	Staff Development Day 2	

TERM 2 – 2024/25			
Week	**Day/Date**	**Event**	**Further information**
1	**Mon 4th Nov**	**Term 2 begins**	
	Mon 4th Nov	NHS flu immunisations	
	Thurs 7th Nov	Stay and Play 1 for Prospective Families	New intake Sept 2025
2		Clubs start this week	
		Anti-Bullying Week	
	Mon 11th Nov	Remembrance Assembly	9.00am, All welcome (hall)
3	Thurs 21st Nov	Stay and Play 2 for Prospective Families	New intake Sept 2025
	Mon 13th – 17th	Anti-Bullying Week	
	Fri 17th Nov	Children in Need	
4			
5	Thurs 5th Dec	Stay and Play 3 for Prospective Families	New intake Sept 2025
	Fri 6th Dec	Coffee Morning	9.00am, All welcome (library)
	Fri 6th Dec	Music Concert	After school, all welcome (Hall)
6	Wed 11th Dec	Christmas Dinner Day	
	Wed 11th Dec	Christmas Jumper Day	
	Fri 13th Dec	Choir singing in the village	2pm, all welcome
7	Wed 18th Dec	Whole school Nativity 1	Village Hall, 2pm no need to book

	Thurs 19th Dec	Whole school Nativity 2	Village Hall, 2pm no need to book
	Fri 20th Dec	Christmas Service - St. Mary's Church	9.30am, All welcome
	Fri 20th Dec	End of Term reports issued	
	Fri 20th Dec	**End of Term 2**	
Environment-led learning days will take place as usual this term. Dates TBC nearer the time.			

TERM 3 – 2024/25			
Week	**Day/Date**	**Event**	**Further information**
1	**Mon 6th Jan**	Staff Development Day 3	
	Tues 7th Jan	**Term 3 begins**	
	Fri 10th Jan	Swimming lessons start - 5 weeks	Year 5
2		Clubs start this week	
3	Fri 24th – 31st Jan	Book Fair	
4	Fri 31st Jan	SEN/D Provision Review Meetings	By Invitation
	Wed 29th Jan	Class Assembly – Young Oaks	Hall, 9.00am
5	Fri 7th Feb	Coffee Morning	9.00am, All welcome (library)
6	Tues 11th Feb	Safer Internet Day	
	TBC	Parents' Evening Meetings	
	Fri 14th Feb	Top up Swimming lessons start – 5 weeks	Some Yr5 and 6
	Fri 14th Feb	**End of Term 3**	
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TERM 4 – 2024/25			
Week	**Day/Date**	**Event**	**Further information**
1	**Mon 24th Feb**	**Term 4 begins**	
	Fri 28th Feb	Top up Swimming lessons continue– 4 weeks	Some Yr5 and 6
2		Clubs start this week	
	Thurs 6th March	World Book Day	
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4	Thurs 20th March	Class Assembly – Saplings	Hall, 9.00am
	Fri 21st March	Music Concert	After school, All welcome, (hall)
5	Fri 28th March	Coffee Morning	9.00am, All welcome (library)
6	Fri 4th April	Easter Service – St. Mary's Church	9.30am, All welcome
	Fri 4th April	End of Term reports issued	
	Fri 4th April	**End of Term 4**	
Environment-led learning days will take place as usual this term. Dates TBC nearer the time.			

TERM 5 – 2024/25			
Week	**Day/Date**	**Event**	**Further information**
1	Mon 21st April	Bank Holiday	
	Tues 22nd April	**Term 5 begins**	
2		Clubs start this week	
3	Mon 5th May	Bank Holiday	
	Thurs 8th May	Class Assembly – Little Acorns	Hall, 9.00am
4	12th – 15th May	Year 6 SATs	
	Fri 16th May	Year 6 Fun Day	
	Fri 16th May	Coffee Morning	9.00am, All welcome (library)
5	Fri 23rd May	FUNDRAISER! Whole School Walk	

	Fri 23rd May	**End of Term 5**	
Environment-led learning days will take place as usual this term. Dates TBC nearer the time.			

TERM 6 – 2024/25			
Week	**Day/Date**	**Event**	**Further information**
1	**Mon 2nd June**	**Term 6 begins**	
	2nd – 13th June	Year 4 Multiplication Check	
2	w/c 9th June	Year 1 Phonics Screen	
	TBC	Transition begins	
3	Fri 20th June	World Music Day – Music Concert	
4	Fri 27th June	Sports Day and family picnic	
	Fri 27th June	FUNDRAISER! Summer Fair	
5	Fri 4th July	Mighty Oaks Camp Out	TBC
	Fri 4th July	SEN/D Provision Review Meetings	By Invitation
6	Fri 11th July	End of Term reports issued	
	Fri 11th July	Year 6 trip	TBC
	Fri 11th July	Coffee Morning	9.00am, All welcome (library)
7	Mon 14th July	Parents' Open Afternoon/Evening	3.30-5.00pm
	Tues 15th July	Mighty Oaks' Show	1.30pm
	Wed 16th July	Mighty Oaks' Show	5.00pm
	Thurs 17th July	Year 6 Forest Party	
	Fri 18th July	Year 6 Leavers' Service - St Mary's Church	Time TBC
	Fri 18th July	**End of Term 6**	
	Mon 21st July	Staff Development Day 4	
	Tues 22nd July	Staff Development Day 5	
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