

LENHAM PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

MAY2018

ROLLER DISCO

At the end of Term 4, years 3-6 were given another opportunity to practise their roller skating at our second roller disco! A fun time was had by all and it was really pleasing to see the improvement in the children's skating skills.



Congratulations to Emily, our first lucky lottery winner. The more tickets we sell the bigger the prize on offer, so please promote the draw to your family and friends.

<https://www.yourschoollottery.co.uk/lottery/school/lenham-primary-school>



We raised £59.47 for Stand up to Cancer by having a cake sale after Easter bingo. Thank you to all those who baked (and all those who ate!)



**Embrace difference.
Make a difference.
Be the difference.**

Last term, staff and governors from our school received training from the Metro Charity regarding homophobic, transphobic and biphobic bullying. The input from the charity's project lead person, perfectly complemented the school's ethos on equality and helped to support staff with ideas and resources.

Following the training, three members of staff volunteered to take on the roles of 'staff ambassadors' for the project, and we also asked Year 5 for volunteers to become 'peer ambassadors' too.

We are really proud of Miss Crayford, Mr Brown, Mrs Horlock, Kian, Charlotte and Isabel for agreeing to take on these roles and know that they enjoyed their separate training session with the charity in mid-April. We are looking forward to seeing how they will support our school community.

KENT TEACHER OF THE YEAR

We are delighted to inform you that Debbie Brett (PTA) and Philp Jarvis (Football Club volunteer) have both received 'highly commended' certificates in the 2018 Kent teacher of the Year Awards. This year, the awards organisers, the KM Charity Team, received more than 1,000 nominations, and to be highly commended is a positive endorsement of the value placed upon our volunteers.

Congratulations to Mrs Brett and Mr Jarvis for their well deserved awards, and a huge thank you to ALL of our volunteers for the wonderful work that you do for the school in your free time.

E-SAFETY

As part of our termly online safety input in assemblies, we recently watched this clip. The discussions raised were really useful and the older pupils enjoyed it too.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-nMUbHuffO8>

Mrs Martin & Ms Howell led the INSET Day on 29th March. They updated staff with new resources and ideas, as well as checking understanding of policies and procedures surrounding keeping children safe in our school and online. All staff also updated their training on radicalisation.

FAMILY TRUST EASTER EXPERIENCE

On the afternoon of Tuesday 27th March Year 4 and 5 were invited to attend an Easter Experience Workshop run by The Family Trust. This workshop focused on the meaning of Easter and included a brief Bible study and opportunities for the children to discuss the meaning of Easter. The workshops were well organised and the Family Trust staff presented them in a creative way which encouraged the children to get involved, making a fun environment.



MESSY CHURCH CHANGE OF DATE : Instead of Saturday 16th June, Messy Church will take place at St Johns. Harrietsham on Saturday 30th June at the usual time of 4-6pm



CHARITY FIREWALK - Three of our parents will be turning into Superheroes on Sunday 20th May in order to raise much needed funds for the local school. Mr Griffin, Mrs Tillyard and Mr Cooper are taking part in the Kent Messenger Charity Fire Walk barefoot over hot coals. You can help support our superheroes and Lenham Primary School by donating to any of the below Just Giving pages. 70% of the money raised plus any gift aid donations will be paid directly to Lenham Primary School and will be used for future purchases to enrich the children's education and 30% will go to the KM Busters literacy in schools fund.

If you would like to sponsor any of them please go to the following web pages or if you do not have access to a computer, please visit the Primary School office who will be happy to take donations.

<https://uk.virginmoneygiving.com/fundraiser-display/showROFundraiserPage?pageUrl=1&userUrl=PeterGriffin5>

<https://uk.virginmoneygiving.com/fundraiser-display/showROFundraiserPage?userUrl=KateTillyard&pageUrl=1>

<https://uk.virginmoneygiving.com/fundraiser-display/showROFundraiserPage?pageUrl=1&userUrl=ChrisCooper29>



ATTENDANCE We celebrate attendance & punctuality weekly by presenting Attendance Ted to the class who has the highest attendance, & Punctuality Pup for the class with the fewest amount of late marks. The bear and dog visit the children in class for the week. If more than one class have won, Ted and Pup share time between the classes.

DATE (w/c)	Attendance Ted	Punctuality Pup
16th April	Class 5	Classes 2 & 4
23rd April	Class R	Classes R & 2
30th April	Class 6	Class 1

MINUTES LOST We have produced a new report to look at punctuality, and record the minutes lost from teaching, by pupils turning up late. In March, the total number of minutes lost for all classes was **482**, equating to 8 hours and 3 minutes. Class 4 was the most punctual, with only 5 minutes lost.

100% Attendance Awards

So far this year, the following number of pupils have received 100% Attendance Awards:

- 1st award: 184 pupils (85%) - pupils received a postcard from Ms Howell
- 2nd award: 141 pupils (68%) - pupils received a pencil
- 3rd award: 83 pupils (43%) - pupils received a bookmark
- 4th award: 30 pupils (14%) - pupils received an eraser

There is still plenty of time left on the school calendar in order to achieve at least one more award!

There are still spaces available for the **Kent Music Summer School 2018**. There are no auditions and students do not have to be in a Kent Music group already, anyone can come along.

Financial Assistance of 75% of the fee is available for Kent Music Summer School (subject to meeting criteria).

Here are details of four, which are especially designed for musicians in KS2.

Music Explorers – weekend sleep-over 14th – 15th July.

All instruments welcome – this is especially ideal for youngsters in their first 12 months of whole class or group tuition or for individuals who have been learning for just a term.

Summer Strings - Wednesday 25th – Friday 27th July

For violin, viola, cello and double bass players who have reached a playing standard of between grade 1 and 5 – it doesn't matter if they have not actually taken the exams.

Recorders - Wednesday 25th – Friday 27th July

Suitable for all recorder players who can play/read just three notes right up to the more advanced.

Summer Singing Saturday 28th – Monday 30th July

A fun three days of singing and movement. No previous experience is required.



If overnight stays are a concern, please get in touch at kms@kent-music.com or call 01622 691212 and we will discuss some other options.

EVENTS 2018

May

- 18th Royal Wedding Street Party lunch
- 19th Cleaning of the Lenham Cross. 9am at the cross
- 20th Fire walk at the Mercure Great Danes Hotel at 7pm
- 21st Book Look 2:30 pm. PESE (secondary school entry) meeting year 5
- 23rd Parent consultations 3:30-7:00 pm
- 25th **Term 5 ends**

June

- 4th **Term 6 begins**
- 4th-8th Wellbeing Week tbc
- 6th New Intake Stay and Play 1:30-2.30 pm and coffee afternoon
- 9th Lenham Family Festival at the Community Centre
- 13th New Intake Stay and Play 1:30-2.30 pm
- 15th Year R Forest School
- 20th New Intake Stay and Play 1:30-2.30 pm
- 26th Family Trust Assembly
- 27th New Intake Stay and Play 1:30-2:30 pm
- 29th INSET day. School closed to pupils

July

- 2nd-6th Sports Week. Book Fair
 - 4th New intake taster lunch 11:45 (tbc) with Stay and Play until 2.30 pm. Year 7 taster day (tbc)
 - 6th Sports Day. Kitchen closed—only school packed lunches for those eligible for free meals.
Book Look 1:15 pm.
 - 7th Football tournament and summer fair
 - 11th New intake Stay and Play 1:30- 2.30 pm
 - 16th KS2 theatrical performance dress rehearsal. Parents and pre-schoolers invited. 1:30-3 pm tbc
 - 17-18th Years 3-6 theatrical performance. Parents invited. NO pre-schoolers. 6-7 pm
 - 20th Leavers' Disco 5- 7.00 p.m
 - 24th Year 6 Leavers' Assembly. Parents invited 1:30-3pm followed by a cream tea 3-4:30 pm
- Term 6 ends**

School Year 2018-19

September 2018

3rd INSET day. School closed to pupils for staff training

4th Term 1 begins

19th-21st Year 6 residential to Grosvenor Hall, Kingswood

October 2018

19th Term 1 ends

29th INSET day. School closed to pupils for staff training

30th Term 2 begins

December 2018

19th Term 2 ends

January 2019

3rd Term 3 begins

February 2019

15th Term 3 ends

25th Term 4 begins

April 2019

4th Term 4 ends

5th INSET day. School closed to pupils for staff training

23rd Term 5 begins

May 2019

3rd INSET day. School closed to pupils for staff training

6th Bank holiday

24th Term 5 ends

June 2019

3rd Term 6 begins

28th INSET day. School closed to pupils for staff training



Wrap!

Make sure you are wrapped up in a T-shirt, and wear shorts and sunglasses.



Splat!

Splat on sun cream to all parts of the body and face before going outside and remember to reapply frequently and generously.



Hat!

Wear a wide brimmed hat that keeps your face and neck shaded.

CLUBS IN TERM FIVE

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Breakfast Club 8-8:45 am £2.50 per child	Breakfast Club 8-8:45 am £2.50 per child	Breakfast Club 8-8:45 am £2.50 per child	Breakfast Club 8-8:45 am £2.50 per child	Breakfast Club 8-8:45 am £2.50 per child
Speedstack Lunchtime Years 3-4 Mrs Middleton		Speedstack Lunchtime Years 5-6 Mrs Middleton		
Gardening 3:15-4:30 Years 4-6 Limited to 15 children Miss Parry	Art 3:15-4:30 Years 4-6 Mrs Fisher			
Football 3:15-4:30 Years 3-4 Mr Jarvis Years 5-6 Mr Mace				
Toastie Club 3:15-6:00 pm Fees payable. Advance bookings only	Toastie Club 3:15-6:00 pm Fees payable. Advance bookings only	Toastie Club 3:15-6:00 pm Fees payable. Advance bookings only	Toastie Club 3:15-6:00 pm Fees payable. Advance bookings only	Toastie Club 3:15-6:00 pm Fees payable. Advance bookings only