



# The Weekly Bulletin

**20th October 2020**

## **New drop off and collection**

Yesterday you should have received an email regarding the changes to our drop off and collection arrangements. I understand the new system isn't perfect, however my hands are tied regarding Health and Safety. If I put down a path it has to meet certain criteria otherwise I put our Lenham Family at risk. We are getting offers of help and we will action these if they meet the Health and Safety criteria. However, in the meantime we need to try something else.



We are asking that parents still try and stagger arrival in the morning. Staff will be present in both areas, helping to guide parents and children. For Year R, 1 and 2 there will be help with the one-way system. As mentioned in my letter the pinch point is the school gate. You may have to walk on the grass if people are on the path to keep to social distancing, and we will try and support you with this. If you would like to wear a mask you are welcome to do so. For Year 3,4,5 and 6 the drive will be split in two, with Years 3 & 4 going up one side and Year 5 &6 going up the other.

I know some people are nervous about the reduction to ten minutes for collection, and we will monitor this. We encourage you to collect Year R, 1 and 2 children first. We will, as mentioned in my letter, develop a one-way system for collection. Again, staff will be present to help guide and support this.

If any of the wonderful offers I have been made with regards to supplying materials, helping to build the path and even sponsorship can come into play , I will action them, as I believe that our giant one-way system was working very well and if we can return to it we will.



## **Chip Day**

Our last day of term is Thursday, and Nourish will be serving chicken goujons and chips, with bruschetta and jacket potatoes as the veggie options

## **Breakfast Club**

Please when dropping off at Breakfast Club can you park on the road, and not on the staff car park. In the morning we have staff needing to park and we take in lots of deliveries, so cannot have extra cars in the car park.

We are proud of a friendly environment that promotes the PRIDE values inspired by the Olympic legacy, where everyone takes pride and is proud of their achievements

**Take PRIDE;**

**Be Proud**



Applications open online  
**5 November 2020**

Starting at primary  
**school**

Do you have a child born between  
1 Sept 2016 and 31 Aug 2017?

Apply for their place at primary school at:  
[kent.gov.uk/primaryadmissions](https://kent.gov.uk/primaryadmissions)

The full information booklet can be viewed online at: [kent.gov.uk/primaryadmissions](https://kent.gov.uk/primaryadmissions)  
If you require a paper application form or information booklet call **03000 41 21 21**

You must submit one application per child **before 15 Jan 2021**





## The Weekly Bulletin

### Diwali

On the 10<sup>th</sup> November we have a dance group coming in to work with the children. They will maintain social distancing and all equipment will be cleaned between groups. The group will be teaching the children dances around Diwali.



Diwali is the Hindu festival of lights. It honours the victory of good over evil and the coming home of Rama and Sita after the defeat of the demon Ravana.



Diwali lasts for 5 days. The dates of the festival change slightly each year as they are determined by the lunar calendar.



Diwali is also known as 'The Festival of Lights'. When translated from Sanskrit the word 'Diwali' means 'row of lights.'



The festival honours the Hindu goddess of wealth, Lakshmi.



The many lights and lamps associated with Diwali are said to help guide the goddess Lakshmi into people's homes, to bring them wealth and good fortune for the upcoming year.



In the UK, the city of Leicester is host to the biggest Diwali celebration outside of India!

**We are looking for 2 parent governors to join our governing body!**

**We are looking for parents who have the following attributes:**

**Experience of IT infrastructure in schools and/or knowledge of expanding public buildings, and health and safety**

**Applications must be in by Thursday 5th November. (See back pages)**

It is with a heavy heart that I have to write to you to inform you that Mr Brown will be leaving us at Christmas to take up another teaching post.



He has been with us for 5 years, having joined as a newly qualified teacher, and is a key part of our team. He has been a great class teacher and PE leader. I'm sure, like all of us at Lenham, you will want to wish him all the best as he continues his teaching career. I will share information about who will be teaching Year 2 from Term 3 as soon as possible.

We are proud of a friendly environment that promotes the PRIDE values inspired by the Olympic legacy, where everyone takes pride and is proud of their achievements

**Take PRIDE;**

**Be Proud**



## The Weekly Bulletin



**Stanhill Farm, Kent** Pre-book, grab a wheelbarrow and head into the field! With thousands of pumpkins planted this year, it's a great spot for some family photos too. Must be pre-booked 19-31st Oct

**Garsons Farm, Esher, Surrey** This PYO farm has a host of crops throughout the year, but come October, pumpkins are the star of the show. Must be pre-booked

**Bocketts Farm, Surrey** The pumpkin patch is just part of the fun at [Bocketts Farm](#) this year, there's also an action-packed Wizards and Witches week for half term. With trails, tractor rides, reptile roadshows and more, visit the on-site patch and buy a homegrown pumpkin to take home. Must be pre-booked. *Dates: 24th October - 1st November 2020*

### Term Dates for next Academic Year 2020-2021

#### **Term 1**

Tuesday 1st September – Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> October  
(INSET days 1st & 2nd September, 23rd October)

#### **Term 2**

Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> November- Fri 18<sup>th</sup> December

#### **Term 3**

Mon 4<sup>th</sup> January – Fri 12<sup>th</sup> February

#### **Term 4**

Mon 22<sup>nd</sup> February - Thurs 1<sup>st</sup> April

#### **Term 5**

Mon 19<sup>th</sup> April – Fri 28<sup>th</sup> May

(INSET day Friday 28<sup>th</sup> May )

#### **Term 6**

Monday 7<sup>th</sup> June- Wed 21<sup>st</sup> July

(INSET day Friday 9<sup>th</sup> July)

We are proud of a friendly environment that promotes the PRIDE values inspired by the Olympic legacy, where everyone takes pride and is proud of their achievements

**Take PRIDE;**

**Be Proud**



# The Weekly Bulletin



**11+ open events 2020**

Parents and their daughters are warmly invited to our School at Work Days.

**20-23 October 2020**

Guided tours can be pre-booked via <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/o/invicta-grammar-school-29092653947> or the QR code below.

We look forward to welcoming you.

Huntsman Lane, Maidstone, Kent, ME14 5DS  
T: 01622 755856 E: [office@invicta.viat.org.uk](mailto:office@invicta.viat.org.uk)  
[www.invicta.viat.org.uk](http://www.invicta.viat.org.uk)





**YOUR SCHOOL LOTTERY**

- 1 JOIN OUR LOTTERY** 
- 2 BOOST SCHOOL FUNDS** 
- 3 WIN CASH PRIZES** 

**It's As Easy As** 

- Tickets cost just £1 a week
- The easy way to help us raise funds
- Local cash prizes every week
- Chance to win the £25k jackpot

To start supporting, visit:  
[yourschoollottery.co.uk](http://yourschoollottery.co.uk)  
and search for: Lenham

Supporters must be 16 years of age or older

Since launching our lottery we have raised **£2,482 for school resources** and **£1882 has been won by Lenham Primary School parents & carers**

The more tickets we sell, the higher the weekly prize is, so don't delay, join today!

Just £1 per week to enter.

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



## HOUSE POINTS

Whitlock is still in the lead. I will announce the winner Thursday. Then we will let parents know. The non-uniform day will not be till Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> November.

We are proud of a friendly environment that promotes the PRIDE values inspired by the Olympic legacy, where everyone takes pride and is proud of their achievements

**Take PRIDE;**  
**Be Proud**



# The Weekly Bulletin

## School clubs Term 1

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<b>Breakfast Club 8am</b> Fees payable £2.50 See below	<b>Breakfast Club 8 am</b> Fees payable £2.50 See below	<b>Breakfast Club 8 am</b> Fees payable £2.50 See below	<b>Breakfast Club 8 am</b> Fees payable £2.50 See below	<b>Breakfast Club 8 am</b> Fees payable £2.50 See below
<b>Sports Hall Athletics</b> Yrs 5 & 6 Mr Holliday 3:15-4:30 No fees payable 9th Nov-14 Dec	<b>Sports Taster</b> (Curling, Boccia, Hockey) Yrs 1 & 2 Mr Holliday 3:15-4:30 Fees payable £6 term 10th Nov-15 Dec	<b>Racket Club</b> Yrs 5 & 6 Mr Holliday 3:15-4:30 Fees payable £6 term 11th Nov-16 Dec	<b>Street Dance</b> Yrs 1 & 2 Miss Jenna 3:15-4:15 Fees payable	<b>Street Dance</b> Yrs 3 & 4 Miss Jenna 3:15-4:15 Fees payable
<p><b>INVITES TO SCHOOL CLUBS ABOVE WILL BE SENT BY PARENTMAIL TOMORROW</b></p>				
<b>Toastie club 3:15-5:30</b> Fees payable £5.75 See below	<b>Toastie Club 3:15-5:30</b> Fees payable £5.75 See below	<b>Toastie club 3:15-5:30</b> Fees payable £5.75 See below	<b>Toastie club 3:15-5:30</b> Fees payable £5.75 See below	<b>Toastie club 3:15-5:30</b> Fees payable £5.75 See below

### **Breakfast and Toastie Club**

Unfortunately we are unable to offer a refund if your child does not attend a session as we would have already arranged staff cover (unless the cancellation is made in writing by 9am Friday of the preceding week). Fees need to be paid in advance by Parent Pay or Pay Point.

### **Dates for your diary**

10th Nov Diwali dance workshop



Tuesday 24th November Flu immunisation drops—Year R-6

We are proud of a friendly environment that promotes the PRIDE values inspired by the Olympic legacy, where everyone takes pride and is proud of their achievements

**Take PRIDE;**

**Be Proud**





# The Weekly Bulletin

Dear Parent/Carer

October 2020

## **Election of Parent Governors**

I am writing to invite you to consider standing for election as a parent governor for this school. Parent governors are elected to serve for a period between one and four years, though they may resign at any time. Together with the Headteacher, the governing body has overall responsibility for the running of the school. Governors are involved in deciding school policies, allocating the school's budget and appointing senior staff. No special qualifications are needed and the most important thing is to have a keen interest in the school and be prepared to play an active part in the governing body's work. In order to support governors in their work, the County Council provides full training for all governors at no charge to the individual. In our school, our governors serve for a term of office of 4 years. The full governing body normally meets every term and in addition, each Governor has an area of responsibility based on their skills.

**We would particularly be interested in hearing from any parent with a knowledge or interest in:**

**Premises and facilities management**

**Health and safety experience**

**IT infrastructure in schools**

If you would like to stand for election, please complete the attached form and return it to the school office by Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> November 2020. Each person nominated must be proposed and seconded by parents/carers who have a child at the school. Anyone standing for election is invited to provide, with his/her nomination, a short personal statement (maximum of 100 words). The statement should only include biographical information, your reasons for wanting to be a parent governor and the contribution you believe you can make to the governing body.

If the number of nominations received is equal, or less than, the number of vacancies, the nominees will automatically be elected as parent governors. If, however, there are more nominations than vacancies, an election will be held and copies of the personal statements will be sent to all parents. Two weeks will be allowed for the return of ballot papers. Each parent will have one vote for each vacancy, no matter how many children he or she has at the school.

I do hope you will consider standing as a governor or else nominating another parent/carers. I am a parent governor at the school and have found it very rewarding. If you would like more information about being a school governor, please contact another governor or myself for more information via the school office.

Yours sincerely Ceri Norey – Chair of Governors

We are proud of a friendly environment that promotes the PRIDE values inspired by the Olympic legacy, where everyone takes pride and is proud of their achievements

**Take PRIDE;**  
**Be Proud**





# The Weekly Bulletin

## ELECTION OF PARENT GOVERNORS – Lenham Primary School

PLEASE RETURN THIS FORM TO THE SCHOOL BY THURSDAY 5<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER 2020

Please enter IN BLOCK LETTERS your name & address. (You must be the parent/carer of a child registered at the school);

Name

Address

Signature of nominee

Parent /Carer of (Name of Child/ren)

-----  
Signature of proposer

Name and address

Parent /Carer of (Name of Child/ren)

-----  
Signature of seconder

Name and address

Parent /Carer of (Name of Child/ren)

-----  
***We ask that you include a statement of no more than 100 words to support your application. This will be sent to the parents in the event that we have more applications than positions available.***

We are proud of a friendly environment that promotes the PRIDE values inspired by the Olympic legacy, where everyone takes pride and is proud of their achievements

**Take PRIDE;**

**Be Proud**



## The Weekly Bulletin

Please note: Further nomination forms can be obtained from the Headteacher. The term “parent” includes guardians, foster parents and any person who has actual custody of a child.

A person is disqualified from holding or continuing to hold office if that person:

Is the subject of a bankruptcy restrictions order or an interim order, debt relief restrictions order, an interim debt relief restrictions order or their estate has been sequestrated and the sequestration has not been discharged, annulled or reduced is subject to a disqualification order or disqualification undertaking under the Company Directors Disqualification Act 1986, a disqualification order under Part 2 of the Companies (Northern Ireland) Order 1989, a disqualification undertaking accepted under the Company Directors Disqualification (Northern Ireland) Order 2002, or an order made under section 429(2)(b) of the Insolvency Act 1986 (failure to pay under county court administration order)

Has been removed from the office of charity trustee or trustee for a charity by the Charity Commission or Commissioners or High Court on grounds of any misconduct or mismanagement, or under section 34 of the Charities and Trustee Investment (Scotland) Act 2005 from being concerned in the management or control of any body

A person is disqualified from holding or from continuing to hold office as a governor of a school at any time when the person is:

included in the list kept under section 1 of the Protection of Children Act 1999(a) (list of those considered by the Secretary of State as unsuitable to work with children);

subject to a direction of the Secretary of State under section 142 of EA 2002(b) (or any other disqualification, prohibition or restriction which takes effect as if contained in such a direction);

barred from regulated activity relating to children in accordance with section 3(2) of the Safeguarding Vulnerable Groups Act 2006(c);

disqualified from working with children under sections 28, 29 or 29A of the Criminal Justice and Court Services Act 2000(d);

disqualified from registration under Part 2 of the Children and Families (Wales) Measure 2010(e) for child minding or providing day care;

Disqualified from registration under Part 3 of the Childcare Act 2006(f).

The nominee has been convicted, whether in the United Kingdom or elsewhere, of any offence and a sentence of imprisonment (whether suspended or not) has been imposed for a period of not less than three months without the option of a fine.

The nominee has been convicted of any offence and a sentence of imprisonment has been imposed on for a period of not less than two and a half years within 20 years preceding the date of appointment

The nominee has been convicted under section 547 of EA 1996(a) (nuisance or disturbance on school premises) or under section 85A of the Further and Higher Education Act 1992(b) (nuisance or disturbance on educational premises) of an offence and has been sentenced to a fine.

A person is disqualified from holding or continuing to hold office as a governor at any time when the person refuses a request by the clerk to the governing body to make an application under section 113B of the Police Act 1997(c) for a criminal records certificate.

**Anyone proposed or serving as a governor who is disqualified for one of these reasons must notify the clerk to the governing body.**

We are proud of a friendly environment that promotes the PRIDE values inspired by the Olympic legacy, where everyone takes pride and is proud of their achievements

**Take PRIDE;**  
**Be Proud**