



St Mark's C E Primary School

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Dear Parents/Guardians

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Sponsorship

David Goode & Owen Thomas will be running the Tunbridge Wells half marathon on Sunday 21st February to raise funds for the PTA , if you would like to support them for this fantastic fundraiser there is a sponsorship form in our main reception area or please visit their fundraising page <https://mydonate.bt.com/fundraisers/stmarkstwpta> . Thank you.

Attendance 18th -22nd January

Group	Presents	AEA	Authorised Absences	Unauthorised Absences	Possible	% Attend
EY Camber	96.5	0.0	3.5	0.0	100.0	96.5
EY Windsor	95.2	0.0	4.8	0.0	100.0	95.2
Year 1 Arundel	98.0	0.0	2.0	0.0	100.0	98.0
Year 1 Bodiam	96.7	0.0	3.3	0.0	100.0	96.7
Y2 Leeds	98.3	0.0	1.7	0.0	100.0	98.3
Y2 Pevensey	99.6	0.0	0.4	0.0	100.0	99.6
Y3 Lewes	96.2	0.0	1.5	2.3	100.0	96.2
Y4 Dover	97.4	0.0	2.6	0.0	100.0	97.4
Y5 Hever	95.6	0.7	3.7	0.0	100.0	96.3
Y6 Rochester	94.8	0.0	2.4	2.8	100.0	94.8
Totals	96.8	0.1	2.6	0.6	100.0	96.8

Congratulations to Year 2 Pevensey who topped the attendance table for the first time and as a school we're still above the 95% figure. Thank you.

Messages from Libby Wilmshurst the school the FLO

The link below refers to a new app called Cybersense which helps parents guide their children in being safe online.

<https://kentesafety.wordpress.com/2016/01/27/cybersense-new-app-for-parentscarers-from-internet-matters/>

Also attached is a flyer with details of a home energy savings event.



Lateness

We are seeing an increasing number of children arriving to school late. As a gentle reminder please see below the excerpt from the school prospectus

'Please ensure that children arrive at school **punctually for 8:55 a.m.**, but not before 8:45 am, as the school does not assume responsibility until that time. In case of bad weather we endeavour to open the doors at 8:45 to allow children into the building.'

Please could all parents try to ensure that their child(ren) arrive on time. If you do arrive late then you must sign your child into the late book. This means that the school registers and dinner register can be up dated correctly. Thank you.

School Health Clinic

School Nurse Catherine Mars will be offering a school health clinic on Wednesday, 9th, March at St. Marks school from 8:30am - 10:30am. Catherine can offer advice on most child health related issues including day and night time wetting, constipation and soiling, treating head lice, sleeping, healthy eating and lifestyle, managing behaviour or hearing tests.

Please phone/text 07770 700 842 to book a confidential appointment.

Visits

Please note that if you are coming to school at any time apart from drop off and collection you **must** come to the office and **not** go directly to the classrooms.

O2

Despite technical problems with the coach the Choir had a fantastic time at the O2 and those parents who went have reported that it was excellent. A big Thank You to Toni, Sarah for all their work with the choir and to Mr Fenton for escorting them.

Year 4 class assembly

Parents of Year 4 children are invited to watch their children's class assembly on Tuesday 9th February at 9.10 in the main hall.

Carrot Wood – Year 6 Parents

Just a reminder that payment for this trip needs to be received by the end of April. We have suggested that spreading the cost by paying in instalments is a good idea. Please send any monies to the school office. Thank you.

There are a number of children who have not signed their permission slip; these children have been given copies of the original letter today. We need to finalise numbers as soon as possible so it is really important that these slips are returned on Monday.

Any child not attending the Carrot Wood trip will be expected to attend school instead. This is a legal requirement. Arrangements will be made nearer the time as to which class they will be joining.

Yours sincerely

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