



# St Mark's C E Primary School

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Dear Parents/Guardians

## Newsletter 2

The children have all settled extremely well in their new classes and next week the EYFS children start to attend school all day (finish time 3.05am). There are a few mainly housekeeping items below that I would like to draw to your attention.

### Parking

There are one or two parents who continue to park inconsiderately on Saunders Road. I have already had a number of complaints from neighbours living on the road. Please do not block the entrances to driveways or on the grass verges. You may think that you will only be there for a short while, but if there was an emergency that our neighbour needed to get to they would not be able to get to it until you returned!

There are also parents who park on the main entrance verges, which are getting really churned up, or block the main drive. Please do not do this.

Thank you to all the parents who do not block the driveways, and are thoughtful and considerate to our neighbours

### Bad Language

It has been brought to my attention that some parents have been using bad language on the playground in front of the children and other parents. We do not tolerate bad language at any time, and would kindly ask that parents do not use this type of language on the school grounds.

### Gates and school arrival time

Children may come onto the school site at 8.45 am this is the time that the pedestrian gate at the main entrance is set to automatically open. The other two gates are manually opened. Please do not drop your children earlier than this. Thank you.

### Eco Club

If you have any empty 2 litre water bottles then Eco Club would very much like them. Please drop them in at the office. They are also looking for garden canes.



## Attendance

5<sup>th</sup> September – 9<sup>th</sup> September

Group	Presents	AEA	Authorise d Absences	Unauthorise d Absences	Possible	% Attend
EY Camber	100.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	100.0	100.0
EY Windsor	94.0	0.0	6.0	0.0	100.0	94.0
Year 1 Arundel	95.4	0.0	3.7	0.9	100.0	95.4
Year 1 Bodiam	100.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	100.0	100.0
<b>Y2 Leeds</b>	<b>99.4</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.6</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>99.4</b>
Y2 Pevensey	93.0	0.0	7.0	0.0	100.0	93.0
Y3 Lewes	99.1	0.0	0.0	0.9	100.0	99.1
Year 3 Deal	97.9	0.0	0.0	2.1	100.0	97.9
Y4 Dover	97.5	0.0	2.5	0.0	100.0	97.5
<b>Y5 Hever</b>	<b>99.4</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.6</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>99.4</b>
Y6 Rochester	98.7	0.0	0.4	0.9	100.0	98.7
Totals	97.7	0.0	1.8	0.5	100.0	97.7

12<sup>th</sup> September – 16<sup>th</sup> September

Group	Presents	AEA	Authorise d Absences	Unauthorise d Absences	Possible	% Attend
EY Camber	98.0	0.0	2.0	0.0	100.0	98.0
EY Windsor	94.0	0.0	6.0	0.0	100.0	94.0
Year 1 Arundel	94.4	0.0	5.6	0.0	100.0	94.4
Year 1 Bodiam	96.3	0.0	3.7	0.0	100.0	96.3
Y2 Leeds	98.3	0.0	1.7	0.0	100.0	98.3
Y2 Pevensey	94.8	0.0	5.2	0.0	100.0	94.8
Y3 Lewes	97.8	0.0	2.2	0.0	100.0	97.8
Year 3 Deal	98.3	0.0	1.7	0.0	100.0	98.3
Y4 Dover	97.6	0.0	2.4	0.0	100.0	97.6
Y5 Hever	98.2	0.0	1.8	0.0	100.0	98.2
<b>Y6 Rochester</b>	<b>98.9</b>	<b>0.4</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.7</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>99.3</b>
Totals	97.0	0.0	2.9	0.1	100.0	97.0

Hever, Leeds and Rochester topped the attendance tables for the first two weeks of term. Well done!

Good attendance makes an outstanding school ☺, Ofsted consider 95 – 96% outstanding and we are aiming to achieve that. This is a very tough target, and we have already begun to slip with three classes falling below 95%.

Obviously we understand that children get ill and are unable to come to school, however, as parents you could really help us to achieve our target by ensuring that where possible all non-emergency doctor/dental/optician appointments are made after school or in the school holidays.

Thank you.

Yours sincerely

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