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Dear Parents/Guardians

The House Cup was won by **Mercury** this week 

No Choir

Sarah and Toni have kindly volunteered to help out at the PTA disco on 29th March, this means that there will be no choir on that day, please make a note in your diaries.

Attendance 6th – 10th March

Deal have topped the attendance table for the second week on the run, WELL DONE, and enjoy your additional play time ☺

Group	Presents	Authorised Absences	Unauthorised Absences	% Attend	Year to date
EY Camber	94.7	5.3	0.0	94.7	96.3
EY Windsor	91.6	8.4	0.0	91.6	94.0
Year 1 Arundel	95.5	4.5	0.0	95.5	94.9
Year 1 Bodiam	94.3	5.0	0.7	94.3	95.4
Y2 Leeds	97.3	2.7	0.0	97.3	96.8
Y2 Pevensey	90.0	10.0	0.0	90.0	94.7
Year 3 Lewes	91.2	8.8	0.0	91.2	95.5
Year 3 Deal	97.5	2.5	0.0	97.5	96.6
Y4 Dover	93.5	3.0	0.0	97.0	95.2
Y5 Hever	95.0	4.2	0.8	95.0	95.2
Y6 Rochester	95.4	2.9	0.0	97.1	96.0
Totals	94.1	5.3	0.1	94.6	95.5

Parent Governor Ballot

Following the Parentmail sent out on the 15th March this is just a reminder that ballot papers have to be returned to the school office by 12 noon Wednesday 29th March.

Dates to remember

March

- 18th The Big Cheese Night
- 19th 4 pm SM@SCH - school hall
- 20th David Fuller – author KS2
- 21st 9.10 am Year 4 Assembly
- 21st CBeebies visit KS1/EYFS
- 21st Caterlink taster session 3.10pm
- 22nd Caterlink Assembly
- 23rd Year 3 Leeds to Museum
- 24th Year 3 Deal to Museum
- 24th Red Nose Day (wear a red item)
- 24th Year 6 Easter Experience
- 28th 1.45 pm Easter Service at Church
- 29th Infants Disco 3.05 – 4.30pm
- 29th Year 4 TW Museum Workshop
- 29th Cross Country Race - Hever
- 31st Last day of Term –non uniform

April

- 19th Children back to school

May

- 24th KS2 Disco 3.15pm
- 26th Last day of Term

June

- 5th Return to school

July

- 20th Last day of term

September

- 5th Children return to school



**Good Book Certificates
17th March**

Yr 1 Bodiam – Kayden
Yr 1 Arundel – Eban
Yr 2 Leeds – Lekha
Yr 2 Pevensey – Travis
Yr 3 Lewes – Jazmine
Yr 3 Deal – Brandon
Yr 4 Dover – Frankie
Yr 5 Hever – Scott
Yr 6 Rochester – Naomi

Caterlink Taster Day

Please do come along to the school hall 3.10pm Tuesday 21st March to sample the children's spring menu.

Councillor Woodward

Please remember to send in your designs for the pillar competition, if you need another sheet of A3 please ask at the office.

Miss Watt – Year 4

Sad News! Miss Watt will be leaving at the end of the Summer Term as she is moving out of the area. She has greatly enjoyed her time at St. Mark's and will miss everyone. I am sure you will join me in wishing her the very best and I know as a school we will miss her immensely.

Comic Relief Red Nose Day Friday 24th May

To celebrate red nose day we would like all the children to come school in their school trousers, skirt or tunic and then wear something red on top.

This is a charity day so we would like all children who come to school not in full uniform to bring in a £1 contribution for this great charity.



Caterlink are joining in the fun and have changed the menu for the day (flier attached) to include a red nosed muffin 😊

Bikes/Scooters



We have noticed that some children are riding their bikes/scooters on the playground which may cause an accident to other children. I would like to remind parents and children that children are not allowed to ride on the playgrounds. Those children who continue to do so will receive a letter from me advising that they will no longer be allowed to bring their bike/scooter onto the school site.

Advance notice of Easter Service arrangements.

Our annual Easter Church Service is being held on Tuesday 28th March at 1.45, children will be walking up to Church after lunch. We encourage parents to come and join us to enjoy the service.

ALL CHILDREN WILL NEED TO BE COLLECTED FROM THE CHURCH AT THE END OF THE SERVICE AT 2.30 PM.

Staff will be walking back to school at 2.40 pm (Children going to Play Place will be able to walk back to school with the teaching staff).

Please let your child's teacher know if you can help us walk up to the church.



Hospice in the Weald Herd

We are very lucky to be one of the schools in the area who has a horse! The Herd of the Hospice appeal is the first of its kind in the area. From June- October 2017, a herd of 25 uniquely decorated horse sculptures will gallop into parks and public areas across West Kent and East Sussex.

The ponies will be decorated by the 'owners' of the ponies. We have one of the 25 ponies that were available to schools and we will now be holding a series of fund raising events for the Hospice in the Weald, starting off with a non-uniform day on Friday 31st March.

Our pony is currently stabled in the lift if you would like to see it.

Children may come to school in home clothes, please bring a donation of £1 or more for the Hospice. Our target is to raise £400 or more.

School dinners

Please remember to pay for your child's dinner before they eat it!

Second Hand Uniform - plea

We have no second hand uniform available in the larger sizes – age 7-8 and above. If your child has out grown their uniform and we could resell it to raise money for the PTA please do bring it into the school office. Please also ask any neighbours or friends whose child used to come to St Mark's whether they have any larger sized uniform they could send to the school. Thank you!

Yours sincerely

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