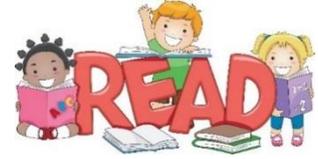
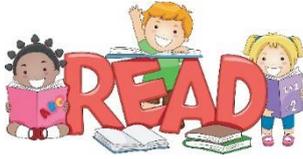




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The House Cup was won by Saturn

Leeds Castle – Year 1

Year 1 had a fantastic time at Leeds Castle on Tuesday 19th September. They performed the Russian Tale of the Swan Princess and toured the castle learning all about the features and interesting facts about how people used to live in the past. A huge thank you to all the parent helpers who even got to dress up too. 😊



School dinner payments

If your child is in KS2 then they **MUST** be registered on the Caterlink payment system. The school has moved away from cash payments at the office and all payments should be made online. If you do not know how to register then there is a letter at the office with instructions and the office can provide you with your child's unique reference number. Thank you.

Under 16 West Kent School Garden Competition

I'm delighted to say that the school won this for the second year running and were awarded a £25 gift voucher. Thank you to Toni and Sarah for all their hard work.



Child pick up arrangements

Please could I ask that parents make sure that their child pick up arrangements are agreed before they drop their child in the morning. We are receiving an increasing number of calls throughout the school day, and particularly at 2.45 with pick up details. Whilst I understand that arrangements do sometimes have to be changed, and the safety of the children is paramount, the ever increasing number of calls that we are receiving is effecting the work in the office. Please bear in mind that we now have over 300 children in the school!

EYFS, Zips, buttons and getting dressed!

Please, please, please could you practice with your child(ren) zips, buttons, shoes etc. perhaps you could invent a getting dressed and undressed game! The EYFS teachers will be introducing PE lessons after half term which is only 4 weeks away. If the majority of the children struggle with this independent skill PE lessons will be very short!

All parents should now have their child's timetable in their introduction pack, on PE days girls should wear trousers and socks if possible as this will speed up dressing – tights tend to be tricky!

Breakfast Club – rules

Breakfast Club is now full on some days. The club has a maximum capacity of 30 children and we have 50 registered. This means that we are now going to have to rigorously apply the Breakfast Club rules.

1. Children **MUST** be booked into breakfast club in advance, and payment made in advance.
2. Places will be allocated on receipt of payment at the school office.
3. Please do not just show up on the day expecting your child to be admitted, if it is full you will be turned away The doors to the Club open at 7.45, children will not be admitted before this time.
4. Breakfast is served until 8.15, after which time breakfast will no longer be served as the staff need time to clear up.
5. You must walk your child to the door and sign them in.

Hospice in the Weald Pony

Our Pony has now galloped off to Sevenoaks where it is on display with all the other horses and ponies, they will then be on display from the 3rd to the 13th October in Victoria Place.

Harvest Festival – Wednesday 4th October

We will need parents to help walk the children up to school. If you are able to help please would you speak to your child's teacher. Thank you. All children will need to be picked up from Church at 2.30 pm

Dates to remember

September 2017

22nd (Fri) Y6 Meet the Teacher 2.40
26th (Tues) EYFS Camber to Hargate
27th (Weds) EYFS Windsor to Hargate
27th -29th (Weds – Fri) Year 5/6 residential trip

October 2017

4th (Weds) Harvest Service 1.40pm at St Mark's Church. Yrs 1 -6
11th/12th (Tues/Weds) Yr 1 – 6 Parent Consultations 3.30 – 6.00
11th (Weds) EYFS Windsor to Sainsbury's
12th (Thurs) EYFS Camber to Sainsbury's
19th (Thurs) Individual school photo's
20th EYFS Teddy Bears Picnic
20th (Fri) last day of term
30th (Mon) Back to school
30th – 3rd Nov Tours for EYFS 2018 9.30 and 11am – book at office

December 2017

7th (Thurs) EYFS Xmas Production
8th (Fri) KS1 Xmas Production
15th (Fri) Xmas Jumper Day
18th (Mon) KS2 Xmas Church Service 6pm – St Mark's Church
20th (Weds) Last day of term

January 2018

5th (Fri) children return to school

Attendance 11/9/17 – 15/9/17

Congratulations to Windsor who topped the attendance table. 😊

| Group | Presents | Authorised Absences | Unauthorised Absences | % Attend | % whole year |
|-------------------|-------------|---------------------|-----------------------|-------------|--------------|
| EY Camber | 97.6 | 0.8 | 1.6 | 97.6 | 99.6 |
| EY Windsor | 99.2 | 0.8 | 0.0 | 99.2 | 98.4 |
| Year 1 Arundel | 98.6 | 1.4 | 0.0 | 98.6 | 95.9 |
| Year 1 Bodiam | 96.0 | 4.0 | 0.0 | 96.0 | 94.9 |
| Y2 Leeds | 96.9 | 2.4 | 0.7 | 96.9 | 98.0 |
| Y2 Pevensey | 97.3 | 2.3 | 0.0 | 97.7 | 97.5 |
| Y3 Lewes | 98.2 | 0.9 | 0.9 | 98.2 | 95.3 |
| Year 3 Deal | 96.3 | 1.9 | 1.9 | 96.3 | 98.6 |
| Y4 Dover | 98.7 | 0.9 | 0.4 | 98.7 | 98.1 |
| Y4 Farnham | 98.3 | 1.7 | 0.0 | 98.3 | 98.9 |
| Y5 Hever | 98.1 | 1.9 | 0.0 | 98.1 | 94.4 |
| Y6 Rochester | 90.9 | 9.1 | 0.0 | 90.9 | 97.1 |
| Totals | 97.1 | 2.5 | 0.4 | 97.1 | 99.6 |

MacMillan Cake Raffle – Friday 29th September

Toni will be raffling a cake on Friday to raise money for this good cause.

Daily reading and Good Book certificates

Well done Arundel, topping the table for two weeks in reading, extra playtime for you 😊. Lets' see if a different class can top the table next week. It only needs to be a page or two 5 days a week. Make it part of the tea time or bedtime routine, it will really make a difference to your child in all aspects of their learning.

| Class | % daily readers last week | % daily readers this week | Good Book Certificate  |
|--------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|---|
| Yr 1Arundel | 73 | 82 | Arthur |
| Yr 1 Bodiam | 57 | 57 | Arthur |
| Y2 Leeds | 10 | 10 | Emma |
| Y2 Pevensey | 50 | 60 | Seth |
| Y3 Lewes | 28 | 8 | Olivia |
| Y3 Deal | 21 | 21 | Olivia |
| Y4 Dover | 21 | 21 | Megan |
| Y4 Farnham | 48 | 56 | James |
| Y5 Hever | 33 | 38 | Taylor |
| Y6 Rochester | 12 | 36 | Farhan |

Choir is cancelled Wednesday 26th September

As a large number of the children will be on the residential trip next week choir has been cancelled.

The playgrounds

Please do not allow your children to ride scooters or bikes on the playground, there is the chance that they could injure another child/adult/baby or themselves!

The same applies to the play equipment. This is for supervised use during the school day not for the children to play on before or after school as again they could injure themselves.

Thank you for all the support that you give to the school.

Yours sincerely

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