



# St Mark's C E Primary School

30<sup>th</sup> January 2026

Newsletter No 18

<https://www.st-marks.kent.sch.uk/>

Dear Parents and Carers,

## Physical Literacy Event



On Wednesday, some children from Year 1 and 2 went to the sports centre for a physical literacy event. We did fun activities like throwing bean bags, rolling balls down drainpipes, and jumping on stepping stones. We did very well and we got certificates. Written by Maya

## Parent Consultations

As detailed in our recent email, parent consultations for all pupils take place on 9<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> March. Please book your slot via Arbor during next week.

Whilst on Arbor, it would be great if you could please make sure all details we hold for you are current and up to date. Please add any dietary requirements etc for your child.



Dates to remember.

Added dates in yellow.

## February

2<sup>nd</sup> – 6<sup>th</sup> National Storytelling Week

2<sup>nd</sup> (Mon) Girls Team football match

6<sup>th</sup> (Fri) Great Athletes Visit

9<sup>th</sup> (Mon) Y3 Deal Friendship Workshop

9<sup>th</sup> (Mon) Girls Team football match

11<sup>th</sup> (Wed) Y3 Lewes Friendship Workshop

13<sup>th</sup> (Fri) Pupil Mid-Year Reports

13<sup>th</sup> (Fri) Y3 Y4 Athletics Competition

13<sup>th</sup> (Fri) PTA Valentines Treat Sale

13<sup>th</sup> (Fri) Term 3 ends

16<sup>th</sup> – 20<sup>th</sup> MegaCamps at school

23<sup>rd</sup> (Mon) Inset Day

24<sup>th</sup> (Tue) Term 4 starts

24<sup>th</sup> (Tue) EYs Hearing Screening

27<sup>th</sup> (Fri) Y4 Dover swimming starts swimming

27<sup>th</sup> (Fri) PTA School Legacy Disco Y5 and Y6

## March

4<sup>th</sup> (Wed) Year 1 Wakehurst Place

5<sup>th</sup> (Thurs) World Book Day

9<sup>th</sup> - 12<sup>th</sup> Book Fair NEW DATE

9<sup>th</sup> – 13<sup>th</sup> Science Week

9<sup>th</sup> (Mon) Parents Evening 3.30-5.30

12<sup>th</sup> (Thurs) Parents Evening 3:30 – 7pm

17<sup>th</sup> (Tue) Y2L Sharing Assembly 9am

19<sup>th</sup> (Thurs) Y1A Sharing Assembly 9am

20<sup>th</sup> (Fri) Red Nose Day

20<sup>th</sup> (Fri) Parent Rep Meeting

24<sup>th</sup> (Tue) Rocksteady Concert

Term Dates etc are on our website

[www.st-marks.kent.sch.uk](http://www.st-marks.kent.sch.uk)



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### Supporting Your Neuro Diverse Child

We have received the following from Kent County Council which you may find useful:

*We have the following free course coming up at our family hub.*

*Neuro-Diverse Child to Eat Healthily Share experiences of food issues and discuss how to resolve them with other parents and carers in a supportive group Discover ways to help your child eat healthy foods.*



For more information scan the QR code

[kentadulthoodeducation.co.uk](http://kentadulthoodeducation.co.uk)  
**FREE, Fun & Informal**



### **Supporting Your Neuro-Diverse Child to Eat Healthily**

Discover ways to help your child eat healthy foods.

Share experiences of food issues and discuss how to resolve them with other parents and carers in a supportive group

**Where:**

**Tunbridge Wells Family Hub**  
39a Grovehill Road  
Tunbridge wells TN2 3UA

**Date:**

**Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> February 2026**

**Time:**

**9.30am – 11.30am**

**To book a place please contact:**

**Email** [twfamilyhub@kent.gov.uk](mailto:twfamilyhub@kent.gov.uk)  
**or call** 03000 418059

### PTA News

**ST MARK'S PTA EVENT**

**JOIN US FOR AN**

**EASTER EGG HUNT**

**SATURDAY 28TH MARCH**

**11AM-3PM**

**ST MARK'S CE PRIMARY SCHOOL**  
RAMSLYE ROAD, TUNBRIDGE WELLS, KENT TN4 8LN

**Trail Games Crafts Refreshments And CHOCOLATE !!!**

£3 per child inc Chocolate Prize

## Reminders

- Lunch menu next week: **Week 5** Menu can be found on our website [St Mark's Church of England Primary School - Lunches](#) and also on the quick links tab on our website.
- **No nuts or nut spreads please.** Please click below for lunchbox ideas and recipes. [Lunchbox ideas and recipes – Healthier Families - NHS \(www.nhs.uk\)](#)
- **Parent Consultations** are taking place on 9<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> March – please book a slot to see your child's teacher on Arbor during next week.
- **Please remember to park considerately during drop off and pick up and avoid parking over driveways (both residents and the school).**
- **Please remember that no smoking/vaping is allowed on site.**
- **Please also remember not to bring dogs on site (except guide dogs).**
- **Please be courteous towards all children, staff, and adults.**

## Head's Heroes, Attendance and Punctuality

On Fridays we celebrate children for their effort and achievements throughout the week:

Extra playtime goes to:

<b>Attendance:</b> Year 4 Dover
<b>Punctuality:</b> Year 3 Lewes
<b>This week's Attendance:</b> 96.2%

## This week the Head's Heroes are:

EYFS Camber	Avery	For his fantastic effort in reading recently. It is fabulous to hear you growing in confidence when you read aloud.
EYFS Windsor	Izzy	For working so hard in Phonics and in her reading, what a superstar!
Y1 Arundel	Edie	For trying really hard with her reading and coming up with super ideas for her story. 😊
Y1 Bodiam	Mila	For gaining in confidence to speak in a small group. Keep it up.
Y2 Leeds	Imogen	For working really hard to have a positive mindset and always helping her friends.
Y2 Pevensey	Kian	For being respectful in class and courageous in his choices.
Y3 Lewes	Scarlett	For working hard to edit and improve her writing. We done, Scarlett.
Y3 Deal	Henley	For his super attitude to learning and always trying his hardest.
Y4 Dover	Dover class	For their super effort in the TT rockstars tournament and the courage shown in our sharing assembly. Very proud 😊
Y4 Farnham	Vinnie	Excellent Maths, brilliant sentences, and great attitude to learning.
Y5 Hever	Sumayah	For going home and independently writing the most amazing biography on Greta Thunberg using all the learning since the start of term. 😊
Y5 Tonbridge	Orla	For the way you are challenging yourself to grow your confidence speaking and performing in front of our class. You're making huge progress! 😊 😊
Y6 Oxford	Caleb	For consistently demonstrating outstanding focus and respectful behaviour in class and around the school 😊
Y6 Rochester	Aaradhya	For showcasing her talent for creative writing with an emotive and powerful story written from the perspective of a Holocaust survivor.

## This week's Unsung Heroes are:

Bodiam – Nathan, Alisa, Zara, Elliot	Dover – Iris, Jesse, Elspeth, Hal, Alfie
Oxford – Archie, Alexandra, Hallie, Trayton	Rochester - Amena Ana Cary Henry Louis Sam Kellogg

Yours sincerely,  
Mr S Bird  
Headteacher

