



St Mark's C E Primary School

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Charlie Waller Trust

Thank you to all parents for your contributions towards the Trust. We raised £320.78

Meet the teacher

As part of the transition process for your children and you we are inviting parents to come and meet the teacher that your child will have next year.

Year	Teachers	
1	Mrs Speight/Miss Hughes	Tuesday 9 th July 9am
2	Mrs Davies/Mrs Smith	Tuesday 9 th July 2.15pm
3	Miss Porter/Miss Goodwin	Tuesday 9 th July 2.30pm
4	Mr Barringer/Mrs Mitcheson	Tuesday 9 th July 2.45 pm
5	Mrs Hammond/Miss Bennett	Monday 8 th July 2.45pm
6	Mrs Bert/Mrs Blake	Tuesday 16 th July 2.45pm

Shirt and ties

From September Year 6 children's uniform will be a white shirt (short or long sleeved) and a tie, designed by one of our children. We will be holding a tie presentation assembly.



Dates to remember

(updated weekly (yellow), so do just check that nothing has changed!)

July

8th (Mon) Yr 1 Hobgoblin Theatre drama workshop **Parents welcome to watch the show 9.30am**

8th (Mon) Y6 to Bowles

9th (Tues) class swaps pm

10th (Wed) Sports Day **9.30 am**

EYFS/KS1, KS2 **1.20 pm**

11th (Thurs)

- Yr 1 Class Assembly 9.10 am
- School Council cake sale after school

• **KS2 Disco 3.15 – 4.45**

12th (Fri)

- End of year reports to parents
- 9.30 Rock Steady Concert

15th (Mon)

- Yr6 end of year performance 9.30am & 6pm

• **Planet celebration 2 -3pm**

16th (Tues)

- 10am leavers service at St Mark's Church

• 3.30pm leavers BBQ

17th (Wed) Reserve Sports Day

17th (Wed) Yr 2 Flower Power day
parents welcome 2.45

18th (Thurs) 2.30 EYFS open
afternoon

19th (Fri) Last day of term

September

3rd (Tues) back to school ☺

12th (Thurs) – PESE test

27th (Fri) – MacMillan Coffee
Morning

October

1st (Tues) year 3 to Kent Life at
Maidstone

Aspire, Believe, Succeed

Chickenpox

There have been lots and lots of cases this week, and some discussion as to when your child can return to school. The school's policy has always been that as soon as the spots have scabbed over they are good to return.

Please see below details from <https://kidshealth.org/en/kids/chicken-pox.html>

How Does Chickenpox Spread?

Chickenpox is contagious, meaning that somebody who has it can easily spread it to someone else. A person with chickenpox is most contagious during the first 2 to 5 days of being sick. That's usually about 1 to 2 days before the rash shows up. So you could be spreading around chickenpox without even knowing it!

Someone with chickenpox can pass it to others by coughing or sneezing, when tiny drops come out of the mouth and nose. These drops are full of the chickenpox virus. It's easy for others to breathe in these drops or get them on their hands. Before you know it, the chickenpox virus has infected someone new.

Most kids don't have any major problems and get better in a week or two. And when all the blisters have scabs, you're not contagious anymore and you can go back to school! In a few days, the scabs will fall off.

Helpers to walk the children to the Leavers service – Tuesday 16th July

The leavers service celebrates the achievements of all year groups throughout the year. It is held annually at St Mark's church and the children walk there and back. Every year we ask for parents to help escort the children there and back, and this year is no exception. If you are able to help please **speak to your class teacher**. Thank you.

Sports Day – Wednesday 10th July

EYFS and KS1 - starts at 9.30 am finishes approx. 11.30, please feel free to drop your child and then go to the field.

KS2 starts at 1.20pm please arrive before then (1.15pm) and make your way to the back field.

We ask that all children have hats, water bottles and sun screen applied – I would suggest that this also applies to us all!

Cake appeal



The school council are holding a cake sale after school on Thursday 11th July. If you are able to bake or bring any cakes in that would be fantastic. Thank you.

KS2 Disco

Just a reminder that this is also on Thursday 11th 3.15 – 4.45pm – grab your cake first! Permission forms out at the office.

Sport

Children at St Mark's have had the opportunity to try or watch a different sport this week. Some were lucky enough to go skiing, and the winners of the 'I love sport poster competition' went to Wimbledon. A big thank you to James and Babsi for organising and taking the children to Hemel Hempstead and Mr Barringer for organising the Wimbledon trip.



At the snow centre



On Henman Hill

Megan F has written a super report for the newsletter about the Wimbledon trip.

On the 3rd of July, ten people from our school went to Wimbledon in No.1 Court. No.1 Court is the one with the new roof. At first, we met at the train station, then we got on the train. The journey took about 45mins, and then we got on another train from Waterloo East to Wimbledon!

When we got there, we ate our lunch in the sun. The camera went onto us, but we (sadly) weren't on TV. Then we went into the court. The first match was Heather Watson (GB) against Anett Kontaveit (EST). Kontaveit won the first set, then after an hour, she won the second set. Just for those people who are not sure, if you get two sets in a lady's match, you win. If you get three sets in a men's match, you win.

Then we went into the gift shop and bought some souvenirs (which doesn't really need much explaining). Then we went to this little booth which gave us these little booklets to fill in (more on that later).

Then it was time for the second match, which was against Feliciano Lopez (ESP) and Karen Khachanov (RUS) This match was a men's, just in case you got confused about the names. Lopez won the first set but Khachanov won another set, which equalized the score. Then Khachanov won another set, which meant that there was one set to go. I think Khachanov was getting annoyed, because no one was cheering for him. But when he won the final set, a very small crowd of people cheered in the distance.

After the match, we went to the little booth where we got our booklets and handed them in because we had completed them during the match. We all got a little badge (mine was a strawberry).

After that we walked back to the train station and ate dinner at McDonalds. Then we got on the train and went back home. And that was the end of our Wimbledon trip!

Fun fact: Did you know that the grass in Wimbledon is cut exactly to 8 mm!?

Attendance

Congratulations to our top attendance class year 5 Lullingstone, so close to that 100%, year groups lower down have been hit hard by chicken pox, hopefully all children are now making a quick recovery. The most punctual Year 6 😊

Class	% Attendance 24 th – 28 th June	Good Book Certificate Friday 5 th July for.....	
EY Camber	84.3		Celebration assembly will be on Monday
EY Windsor	91.2		
Yr 1 Arundel	93.3		
Yr 1 Bodiam	93.2		
Y2 Leeds	96.7		
Y2 Pevensey	97.9		
Y3 Lewes	97		
Y3 Deal	96.3		
Y4 Dover	94		
Y4 Farnham	96.7		
Y5 Hever	96.1		
Y5 Lullingstone	99.6		
Y6 Rochester	98.6		
Whole School	95.2	Total for year 95.6% to date (target 96%) 😞 😞 😞 NOW BELOW TARGET	

Year 3 at Wakehurst Place What fantastic weather the children had for their trip to Wakehurst Place, here are a few photos.



Planet Celebration – Monday July 15th 2-3pm

Children who reached 'the sun' in the reading space challenge will be invited to a 'Tea and Games' event hosted by Mr Bird and Mrs Crane on Monday along with our regular parent readers who we would like to say a BIG thank you to.

Your sincerely

Mr S Bird, Headteacher