

Deal Parochial Church of England (Aided) Primary School

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Newsletter Summer Term 2017

Week starting Monday 3rd July 2017

Dear Parents /Carers

This week we are holding the transition days for all the children in the school.

Pupils in Robins, Barn Owls and Gold Finch classes will have two transition mornings. Mrs Reynolds will teach the Kestrel class – Year 3, on Friday morning to cover this.

Year 6 pupils will be visiting their new secondary schools on Thursday. Parents will need to make arrangements for Year 6 pupils to travel to and from their new schools.

Information for next year

Year group	Class teacher	Teaching assistant	Name of class – all names of British Trees
EYFS	Mrs Messenger	Mrs Anglim/Mrs Harvey	Hazel
1	Mrs Friend	Mrs Dougall	Horse Chestnut
2	Mrs Porteous	Miss Tancock	Scots Pine
3	Ms Watson	Mrs Blackman	Sycamore
4	Ms Cluff / Mrs Theaker	Miss Collister	Willow
5	Ms Warner	Mrs Jones	Silver Birch
6	Mrs Bowles	Ms Pettitt	Oak

Other teaching assistants are also employed to support individual pupils and to carry out interventions with groups across the school.

Deal Learning Alliance Maths Challenge. First Place.

Last week four children took part in a Deal School's Maths Challenge. This was a competition for Year 4 and 5 pupils. Five schools competed and I am very proud to say our team came first. The children taking part were Babak & Olivia - Year 5, and Sam & Owen -Year 4. They worked well collaboratively, tackling many logic puzzles and solving extended maths problems.

Sports Day Success

Thank you to all the families who joined the School's sports day last Friday afternoon. I was most impressed by how well the pupils joined in, not everyone is a sporty person, but all the children demonstrated good will, perseverance and determination to perform their very best. There was a very lovely atmosphere at the event.



Thank you to everyone who came and cheered the competitors along. Thank you to Mr Earl and Mrs Friend for organising the races and events and also to the pupils of Goodwin Academy who were so very helpful in keeping the races running so smoothly.

Year 3 Recorder Performance – Thursday 6th July at 2:45 pm.

Parents of Year 3 pupils are invited to come into the school hall to listen to the children playing the recorder as they finish their year's music tuition with Mrs Spencer. Any children wishing to continue to learn to play will have the opportunity to join the school recorder club that meets regularly with Mrs Spencer.

Class Photographs

Friday 7th July

This is the re-scheduled appointment with the school photographer. Each class and the school teams will have their group photographs taken. Please ensure your child comes into school smartly dressed in full school uniform. Thank you.

End of Year Reports

Pupil end of year summative reports will be sent out in envelopes with pupils on Monday 10th July.

Informal Parent "Drop in" on Monday 10th July

Parents are invited to drop in to look through children's work books as an open afternoon. Classrooms will be open from 2:45pm. Please come into school via the main school entrance and sign in. The children's work and teachers will be available until 4:45pm.

If you require an individual appointment with your child's class teacher please phone the school office team to make a separate appointment on a different day.

Deal Primary School's Summer Athletics Cup

This year Goodwin Academy will be hosting this primary school event. It will take place on the morning of Wednesday 12th July 2017.

Mr Earl our sports coach will be contacting parents of those children taking part.

Deal Library - Summer Reading Challenge 2017.

Don't forget to sign up for the Summer Reading Challenge during the school holidays. Here's how:

- Head to your library this summer to join the Challenge – IT'S FREE!
- Sign up to receive your special agent collector folder
- Read at least SIX books over the holidays
- Collect stickers for each book you read



- The stickers will help you crack the case and catch the crook!
- Enter the codes printed on your stickers to unlock surprises
- Play games and enter competitions
- Use the Book Sorter to find books recommended by other children
- **Complete the Challenge and you'll get your own medal and a certificate**

Take part this summer at Deal Library , Monday – Sunday, Starts 15th July and Finishes 16th September .

It's fun! It's free! It's local!

Year 6 End of Year Performance – The Magician's Nephew.

The year 6 class are entering their final few weeks at this school. They are all working so hard learning lines, songs, and stage actions as they work up towards their grand finale.

This year Mrs Spencer, Mrs Bowles and Ms Pettitt are staging The Magician's Nephew – originally by CS Lewis with music and scripts adapted by Mrs Spencer.

The performances will take place at St George's Church.

Thursday 13th July - Matinee Performance. EYFS, Year 1, 2, 3, 5 & 6 pupils will be walking to St George's Church in Deal town centre to watch or take part in this performance. (Pupils in Year 4 have a school trip to Wildwood).

Pupils will take an early lunch on this day.

Parents / Carers are asked to collect children from outside the back of St George's Church at 3:15pm. (not including Year 4)

Class teacher will lead out each class to stand at their class station for parents to collect from the line. Please do not try to enter the church to collect as this creates congestion in the doorways. Thank you.

Thursday 13th July evening performance. Doors open at 6:30pm performance starts at 7pm.

Friday 14th July – afternoon matinee, community performance.

Evening performance – Doors open at 6:30 for the performance to start at 7pm.

Please come and support the school and the pupils who are all working very hard to polish off a fine production of a magical tale.

Children to take home their PE kits and all personal belongings from the cloak rooms on Wednesday 19th July.



Leavers' Service – held at St George's Church Friday 21st July.

This is when we hold a farewell service for our year 6 pupils. Vicar Chris will lead the service.

Parents to collect all children from the back of the church in the garden, at the usual time, 3:15pm.

Teachers will lead out each year group to their class meeting point.

A moment of reflection

At the end of this school year we give thanks to God:

For all the teaching and learning that have taken place in our school, both in and out of the classroom,

For the talents and gifts that have been shared and the challenges that have been faced

For the burdens that have been lifted and the hurts that have been healed

For the respect and care that have been given.

We give thanks for the friendships that have just begun and for those that have grown.

For the faith that has been lived in our daily struggles,

For the hope that has lifted our hearts on the dark days

And for the love that has kept us going.

Amen

Kind regards

Justine Brown

