

Ash Cartwright and Kelsey CEP School



Friday 26 January 2018

Newsletter No: 17

Dear Parents/Carers

It seems like I have been here a long time but we are just entering our 3rd term. We have been through lots of changes to address the issues from the previous Ofsted report. There is lots to celebrate and, as a school, we are keen to update you on our journey. We are therefore holding a celebration evening on Wednesday 7th February at 6pm to inform you of all the positive changes and let you know what our next steps are. Please do come along and join myself, the Senior Leadership team and representatives from the governing body. The meeting will be held in the school hall.

I am also delighted to announce that thanks to generous funding from the Cartwright, Godfrey and Kelsey charity we have been able to purchase Accelerated Reader for years 2-6. We will be busy setting up for this over the next few weeks and Miss Horton will hold an information session for parents in term 4. This is an excellent programme with a proven track record of raising standards in reading - look out for more information from Miss Horton and we send a huge thank you to the Cartwright, Godfrey and Kelsey charity.

Even though this is a short term, the children are now engrossed in their topics. The children made space rock biscuits in reception class this week (they didn't save me one!) in preparation for their Planetarium visit next week. Year one have been designing their own royal stamps, year 2 have been working on money problems and year 5 have been painting their Mayan death masks. Our football team also continue their winning streak, beating Capel 4-0. What a great team!

Have a lovely weekend.

Fiona Crascall

Headteacher

School Uniform

We encourage the children to take a real pride in their work and presentation in books. Please make sure that your child wears the appropriate school uniform - please see the office staff if you need any help purchasing the correct kit. Thank you

Star of the week

Year R Wrens	Aliona Johnson for showing great perseverance and courage in P.E. this week
Year 1 Robins	Leo Janes for his good understanding 'less than and greater than' in his Maths work
Year 2 Magpies	Isabella Hellings for having beautiful handwriting and reading really well
Year 3 Owls	Henry Vann for always blowing me away with his writing and perseverance with his Maths work
Year 4 Hawks	E'Aron- Ali Nightingale for persevering with his division work
Year 5 Eagles	Joel Kirton for superb effort in Maths
Year 6 Falcons	Stella Kingsland for increased confidence and participation in whole class sessions. Keep it up!

Attendance - 22nd January to 26th January 2018

CLASS	%
Year R Wrens	86
Year 1 Robins	97
Year 2 Magpies	99
Year 3 Owls	97
Year 4 Hawks	98
Year 5 Eagles	96
Year 6 Falcons	95
Punctuality Penguin Award	Falcons
Attendance Alligator Award	Magpies

Events

'Phil' the Bag™, is an exciting textile recycling initiative which aims to promote awareness of textile recycling in schools and the community as well as helping to raise funds for the School!

If you have any unwanted item of clean clothing please bring them to school in any bag by 9.15 am on **MONDAY 29th JANUARY** to be collected. We cannot accept items after this date.

(We cannot accept: Blankets, Bric-a-Brac, Duvets, Pillows, Sleeping Bags, Rugs, Carpet, Offcuts of fabric, any WET items, Tent Canvas, ripped or stained clothing, items from commercial organisations e.g. hospitals, hotels and animal sanctuaries.)



Lost Property: We have had lots of lost property for weeks now so if it is not collected by Monday morning (29th January) it will be donated to Phil the Bag collection.

Open Afternoons at Ash Cartwright and Kelsey:

KS1	Monday 5 th February	After School
KS2	Wednesday 7 th February	After School

Open Days at Fledglings Nursery:

Places available now at Fledglings Nursery so come along to one of our open days:

Wednesday 21st February 2018 - 9.30 - 11.00 am

Thursday 22nd February 2018 - 9.30 - 11.00 am

Breakfast Club & After School Club

There are spaces available in both our breakfast club and after school clubs, please book your children in if you would like to use this service. If you wish to cancel a booked slot, we ideally require 24 hours notice to allow enough time to allocate it to another child.

Session	Times	Cost	What's Available
Breakfast Club	7.45 am - 8.35 am	£4.00	Variety Cereal, Crumpets & bread, Jams, Marmite & Honey, Juice
After School Club	15.15 pm - 17.45 pm	£7.75	Crumpets & bread, Jams, Marmite & Honey, Juice Fruit & Biscuits

School Notices

Lost Property: A blue A4 pencil case filled with pens belonging to a Year 2 student has gone missing. If you have seen it or find it please hand it to the office. Once again there are a huge number of items in the lost property box - please take a look to see if anything belongs to you otherwise it will go into Phil the Bag!

Medical Notes: If your child has been off sick please send a letter in to explain their absence on the day that they return to school. We use this as evidence to support our attendance records. We still have children returning to school after being absent without a note.

Collection of Children

Please make sure that you enter information regarding who is collecting your children onto the correct class sheet to ensure that the correct information is passed on to the teacher.

Nativity DVD's Available

Nativity DVD's are still available to purchase from the School office for £5.00 each.

Parent View Questionnaire

Parent View gives you the chance to tell Ofsted what you think about your child's school, from the quality of teaching to dealing with bullying and poor behaviour. The survey can be completed at any time; you don't have to wait until the school is being inspected. We will use the information you provide when making decisions about which schools to inspect and when.

Please click on this link [Parent View](#) to complete a Parent View Questionnaire about our School.

Parent Volunteers: If you are interested in volunteering at the school (for example reading in classes, helping out in nursery) please speak to the office about making an appointment to discuss this with Mrs Crascall. If you are placed in a class you will then need to go through the DBS checking process.

Community Notices

Save a Life - give blood

Monday 5 February, 13:45 to 16:30 & 17:30 to 20:00 at the Kent County Cricket Club, Cheisman Pavilion, Spitfire Ground St Lawrence, Old Dover Road, Canterbury.

Dates for your Diary

Term 3	
Monday 29th January	Phil the Bag Collection, all items to be received by 9.15 am
Tuesday 30th January	Chess Competition at St Richards Primary School, 1.30pm
Friday 2nd February	Fledglings and Year R Planetarium Experience
Monday 5th February	KS1 Open afternoon, after school finishes
Tuesday 6th February	Music workshop for gifted and talented children at Langdon Primary School
Wednesday 7th February	Fire Safety Presentations to Years 1 to 6 KS2 Open afternoon, after school finishes 6 pm Celebration Evening with Head teacher and Senior Leadership Team
Thursday 8th February	Year 6 trip to Harry Potter World
Friday 9th February	End of Term 3 - School Finishes 3.15 pm, ASC Club until 5.45 pm
Term 4	
Monday 19th February	Start of Term 4
Thursday 22nd February	Reports to Parents (Years 1 to 6)
Tuesday 6th March	Mothers Day Gifts to all classes (PTFA)
Monday 12th to Thursday 15th March	Scholastic Book Fair, School Hall, 3.15 - 4.00 pm daily
Thursday 22nd March	Final of the Reading Challenge at St Richards Primary School (more details to follow)
Thursday 29th March	End of Term 4 - School Finishes 3.15 pm, ASC Club until 5.45 pm
Term 5	
Monday 16th April	Staff Development Day - School Closed for Students
Tuesday 17th April	Start of Term 5
Friday 25th May	End of Term 5 - School Finishes 3.15 pm, ASC Club until 5.45 pm
Term 6	
Monday 4th June	Start of Term 6
Friday 20th July	End of Term 6
Monday 23rd July	Staff Development Day - School Closed for Students
Tuesday 24th July	Staff Development Day - School Closed for Students