



Newsletter

18th September 2020

Number 3

iPad scheme for new Year 3 pupils

Year 3 parents and carers you will receive an email later today with details of this years proposed iPad scheme. Please read the information carefully and consider your financial circumstances before committing to the scheme, which if you choose the monthly option is a commitment for two years.

There is a link within the email, which you need to follow to find out more details. We need all parents or carers to respond either way, please note the closing date is **Sunday October 4th**.

We are only able to offer the scheme to year 3 pupils. However, be assured each year group has a bank of school iPads for use in class for those pupils who are not part of a scheme.

Thank you.

Road safety on and off site

I'm afraid it is time for my usual reminder of ensuring we keep our pupils and families safe on our school site and outside the school site on Grange Road and the surrounding roads.

The main driveway up to school is a drop-off zone only, at all times. This includes breakfast club. If you do walk your child in to breakfast club, you must park in Grange Road and walk your child in, NOT the staff car park. This then alleviates the parking on the drop off zone and stops people dropping their children off in the driveway road or on the roundabout – which is not safe for the pupils.

On Grange Road, we have already received reports from our parents that they are struggling to cross safely with their children at 3.15pm and 4.30pm. If all spaces on Grange Road are taken, **PLEASE** use the Thanet Wanderers Rugby Club car park – it takes less than 2 minutes to walk across the park to the school site. Please do not park on the zigzag lines, on the single yellow or double yellow lines, or opposite the school along the pavement. This is for the safety of our school community, especially our school pupils.

Please take the time to park and walk, it really is so important.

Thank you.

Mr Hunter-Whitehouse

Important letter attached and survey emailed

PLEASE READ THE LETTER ATTACHED WITH THE NEWSLETTER.

This is the plan in place for children who need to isolate at home due to Covid guidance, or are a little unwell but because of the current situation are staying home.

It is so important that children keep up with the work learned in class. It is expected that children who are isolating or only a little unwell with complete the online learning set out in this letter.

In addition, a reminder to complete the emailed survey sent on Thursday, which is linked to this contingency plan.

Dates for the Diary - Term 1 & 2

Thurs 1st October - Fantastic Fred Experience in school. (Details to follow)

Thursday 15th October – Kent Test

Mon 19th October – Individual School photographs (no siblings/families this year)

Thurs 22nd October – End of term 1

Fri 23rd October – Inset Day

Mon 26th – Fri 30th October – Half term

Mon 2nd November – Start of term 2

Tues 24th November – Flu Immunisation (whole school)

Fri 18th Dec – End of term 2

Mon 21st Dec – Tues 5th Jan 2021 Christmas holidays

Mon 4th Jan 2021 Inset Day

Inset Days for School Year 20/21

Fri 23rd October 2020

Mon 4th January 2021

Mon 7th June 2021

All school events can be found on our website under 'events' – please check back weekly for additions and changes to our events – we are a busy school!

Attendance

This forthcoming year we have decided not to award attendance hoodies and badges. This decision has been made due to the ongoing COVID situation which may require pupils to be absent if they present with a symptom. In addition, families may need to self-isolate.

However, we will still monitor attendance closely but know our pupils will be keen to be in school.

Should you require a **Leave of Absence** form they are available on the school website or you can call the school office to request one and it will be sent home via your child.

Music lessons

Andrew Parry Music are looking forward to returning to the school at the end of this month.

Due to older students moving on, they have some availability for lessons in Beginners Keyboard and Drumming. If you are interested, please have a look at their website www.andrewparrymusic.com or contact them at andrewparrymusic@gmail.com for more information.

Thank you

A few reminders!

Please can all hair longer than 'on the shoulder' be tied back at all times please.

No toys in school – we know some may be small 'comfort' toys, but as we are not allowing pencil cases brought in from home, we will not be allowing small toys and trinkets for the same reason, this also applies to Pokemon cards and notebooks.

No jewellery with the exception of a small pair of stud earrings.

No bikes or scooters to be ridden on the school site – for safety reasons please.

Thank you.

Lost trainers

A pair of black Adidas trainers have been lost in school. Please could you check your child's PE bags in case they have been put in there by mistake.

Star of the week

3W: Sienna D – for her fantastic short story she wrote in English.

3BW: Kendrick B – for an excellent attitude towards learning and being a positive member of 3BW.

3T: Sophia P – for achieving 100% in her first spelling test at St Peter's – well done!

4NB: Flynn W – for engaging enthusiastically in his learning this week – keep it up.

4S: Bella-Rose J – for fantastic adjectives in her English writing this week well done!

4L: Amy P-W – for settling fantastically at St Peter's and having an enthusiastic attitude to learning.

5SA: Theo F – for settling so well into Year 5 and always trying hard.

5W: George W – for enthusiastically engaging in all his learning – an excellent example to everyone. Well done George.

5B: Daisy W – for being so helpful and enthusiastic – thank you!

6Se: Delilah S – for always contributing to class discussions with something thoughtful.

6S: Lexi D – for being fully engaged and motivated in all she does.

6I: Olivia C – for her attention to detail in producing thoughtful, well presented work across the curriculum.

6G: Oliver P – for a great attitude to learning.

Well done everyone!

