



Extra Curriculum Activities

- The second and final Year 6 Enterprise Sale takes place on Monday afterschool at 15:25. Please come along and support the children.
- Children in Year 4 have been invited to attend a special **Picnic and Praise in the Priory** Mass and Fun Day on Tuesday 27 June at Aylesford Priory. Permission slips have been sent out via Parentmail this week; please can you return to your child's class teacher by **Monday 26 June**. *Paper copies are available from the letter rack in the entrance porch.* The PTA have also agreed to cover 80% of the cost of the coaches to Aylesford and the remaining 20% is being covered by school so there will be no charge passed on to families.
- **Whole School History Day:** To celebrate our history learning across the school; on Friday 14 July children will be spending the day experiencing 'childhood lives' from the past by dressing up as children from their current history topic:
 - Year 5/6 - **The Shang Dynasty (China)**
 - Year 3/4 - **The Anglo Saxons**
 - Year 1/2 - **Famous Explorers**
 - Reception - **Pirates**

To enhance the learning experience for the children we would like them to come to school dressed in costume. This can be as complicated or as simple as you wish (*please take into consideration how the weather might be on the day, if it is very warm please do not send your child into school in full costume, one or two items as part of the school uniform is sufficient*). If you would like costume ideas please speak to your child's teacher or Phase Leader. Teachers across your child's phase will deliver 'experience workshops' focusing on how life may have been for children from the past. Activities will include cooking or food tasting, games or crafts. We would like to purchase food items and props for the workshops therefore we are asking parents and carers for a **£1.00 voluntary donation** to cover any expenses, please send any money in via your child's class teacher in an envelope marked History Day.

General and Reminders

- We have sent home the Van Cols **school class and sports teams photos** this week via your child's book bag. The deadline for orders is Tuesday 4 July. Orders required after this date will have to be directly through Van Cols and will incur a fee.
- 100% Attendance certificates for Term 5 have been handed out this week - **190 of them!** Well done children.
- There are still spaces available for the **SEN Consultations** with Mrs Taylor (on Thursday 29 June or Wednesday 5 July) If you received the request to sign up, the sheets are available in the office, please come and choose a convenient slot.
- We have several cases of **Chicken Pox** and **Head Lice** within school at the moment.
 - If your child develops Chicken Pox they should remain off school until any new spots have finished appearing and all the spots on the body have crusted over.*
 - Children with head lice should be treated immediately following advice from a Chemist/Pharmacy or from visiting: www.nhs.uk/conditions/head-lice. The key to preventing the spread of head lice and nits is checking your child's hair regularly and tying long hair up.*

Sporting News

Children taking part in the **Cricket Tournament** on Wednesday afternoon had a scorcher of a day to play in - record temperatures of 38°C! Six other local schools took part in the tournament, we lost one game and won three - happily getting into the finals. We came third overall.

Mrs Berry, our PE and Sports Coordinator, would like to say a big thank you to Miss McFarlin for accompanying the children, Mr Davey for coaching the 3/4 team in their last match and to all the parents who stayed to support the children in the relentless heat!

Well done to all the children for taking part and thank you to Mrs Berry for organising.



PTA NEWS

Don't forget the following:

- **Class Hampers - Donations needed now:** Each class has been given a colour scheme, please send in 'colour' donations to your child's class or directly to their class representative (details have been sent via Parentmail);
 - **Sweets for Trainers Day - Friday 30 June:** Children to bring in sweets to make goodie bags for the sweets tombola and in exchange can wear trainers to school (tins or boxes of sweets are welcomed too);
 - **Bottles for Own Clothes Day - Wednesday 5 July:** Children to bring in a bottle for the Bottle Tombola and in exchange can wear their own clothes to school;
 - **Raffle Tickets:** have been sent home via children's book bags. Please sell as many as possible and return the stubs, money and unsold tickets returned to your child's class teacher;
 - **Nearly New Books, Soft Toys, Jewellery and Scarfs Donations:** Please bring in any donations before 8 July and hand into the office or PTA representative;
 - **Cake Donations:** Are welcome on the day (homemade or shop bought);
- Help Still Needed:** Setting up, running stalls and clearing away. Many thanks to all those who have already signed up to help, if you would like to offer your assistance please email: ptaAugustines@gmail.com

Spiritual, Moral, Social and Cultural

- Thank you to all the children who donated and came to school dressed in blue (or water themed) today for **Water Aid Day**. We are continuing our support for **Water Aid** this term by placing buckets in each classroom for the collection of pennies and loose change. If you wish to donate, please send the money in via your child's class teacher.
- Next Friday 30 June will be holding a **Cake/Ice Lolly Sale** afterschool to raise fund for **Water Aid**. Any cake donations would be gratefully received, homemade or shop bought.
- '**Catholics in India**'- St Anselm's, Pembury, are running their annual summer holiday club between Monday 24 and Wednesday 26 July, 10:00-14:00. There will be a range of India-inspired crafts and activities, and a short children's address each day from Fr. Ed. Price £15 for the first child, £5 for siblings. For more information and/or an application form please contact Hayley (hayley_woodhouse@hotmail.com or text 07788855646). 30 places available.

Assemblies and Worship

- Thank you to all the families who celebrated **Father Peter's 40th Anniversary** of becoming a priest. Thank you to Mrs Oubridge for organising and Mrs Martin (Jamey, Mataya and Lucy's mum) and Mrs De Giovanni (Thomas' mum) for their beautiful harp and flute playing during the celebration.
- Children in **5/6 St Patrick** presented their class assembly to parents and carers yesterday. Their assembly was all about the value of **Sportsmanship** taking proper consideration for fairness, ethics.
- Next Friday 30 June there is a special **Make Time for Music Keyboard and Guitar Assembly** for the parents and carers of children who play these instruments through their music lessons. The assembly starts at 09:00; all are welcome to join us.
- On Tuesday 4 July children in **Year 5** will be presenting a special **Make Time for Music Ukulele Demonstration** at 09:15. Parents and carers are invited to watch and see how they have progressed with their Ukulele lessons since the beginning of this academic year.
- The next Class Assembly to take place is that of **3/4 St Paul** on Tuesday 4 July at 15:00. The children take so much pride in preparing for and presenting their assemblies, we strongly encourage parents and carers to come and watch if they are able.

Our Community

Summer Holiday Fun:

- Former St Augustine's pupil and **Royal Ballet Company Artist** Mica Bradbury will be delivering a three day **Ballet and Dance Summer School** from 31 July to 2 August at St Gregory's School. If your child is aged 8-13 years old and is Grade 2 or above and you would like further information or to book please email nbradbury@sgschool.org.uk.
- **St Gregory's** are holding their popular **Multi Sports Courses** over the summer holidays. If your child is aged between 6 and 11 years of age and enjoys a range of sports such as Football, Tennis, Netball, Rounders, Cricket, Basketball, Badminton, Dodgeball and more, perhaps he/she would like to attend. For further information or to book please email nbradbury@sgschool.org.uk.
- **First Class Football** are running **Summer Multi-Sport Camps & Soccer Schools** - Including Bubble Football & Inflatables Madness! Visit www.firstclassfootball.com for details on Summer Sports for both boys & girls in reception - year 8 at School. Siblings' discounts are available and bookings can also be made for individual and half days.
- **Barracudas Tonbridge** are running Activity Day Camps throughout the summer holidays. With something to suit all children, their camps offer a range of 80+ exciting activities for children aged between 4½ and 14 years. For more information please visit: barracudas.co.uk or call 0845 123 5299.

Coming Up...

- Friday 23 June - Deadline for School Trends Uniform Orders (for delivery to school)
- Monday 26 June - 2nd Year 6 Enterprise Sale 15:25
- Tuesday 27 June - Year 4 Visit Aylesford Priory for Picnic and Praise
- Thursday 29 June - SEN Consultations 12:00 - 15:45
- Friday 30 June - Sweets for Trainers Day
- Friday 30 June - Make Time for Music Keyboard and Guitar Assembly 09:00
- Friday 30 June - Cake/Ice Lolly Sale for Water Aid 15:25
- Monday 3 July - Year 1 and 2 visit Bedgebury Pinetum
- Tuesday 4 July - Deadline for Van Cols Sports and Class Photo Orders
- Tuesday 4 July - Make Time for Music Year 5 Ukulele Demonstration
- Tuesday 4 July - 3/4 St Paul Class Assembly 15:25
- Wednesday 5 July - Own Clothes Day for Bottle Tombola Donations
- Wednesday 5 July - SEN Consultations 14:00 - 17:45
- Friday 7 July - Sports Day (Morning - Year R-2 / Afternoon Year 3-6)
- Saturday 8 July - PTA Summer Fayre 12:00 - 15:00
- Tuesday 11 July - Year 6 Production to Parents 18:45
- Wednesday 12 July - Year 6 Production to Parents 18:45
- Friday 14 July - Whole School History Day
- Monday 17 July - (**Current Year 5**) Year 6 Residential Meeting to Parents and Children 16:00 - 17:00
- Tuesday 18 July - Leavers Celebration 18:45
- Thursday 20 July - End of Year Mass 09:30
- Friday 21 July - INSET Day (No School)

Congratulations to our Award Winners

- **Attendance Ted:** 1/2 St Lucy and 3/4 St John (100%)
- **Punctuality Pete:** 2 St Bernadette and 5/6 St Mark
- **Lunchtime Award:** India (2 St Bernadette) and Poppy (3/4 St Peter)
- **Tidy Classroom Award:** 2 St Bernadette

CAFOD prayer inspired by this week's

Gospel: Matthew 10:26-33

God of life, help us to see the beauty of your world, and treat all members of our global family with respect and love. Amen.