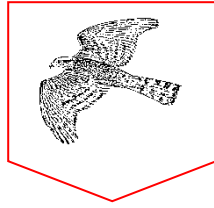


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Dear Parents

It has been wonderful to be back at school this week, the children really do seem to have grown over the holidays, they have all settled into their new classrooms and there has been a wonderful 'buzz' around the school this week. This week our priority has been to establish the new class 'team ethos' and getting to know new classmates. The children have participated in a range of team activities and team challenges that have been great fun. I hope they have been telling you all about them.

I have been absolutely amazed by how well the new Reception children have come into school this week, they have been so confident as they have separated from parents (often not even looking back!!!) After three full days I bet they will sleep well this weekend!

Next week we have a busy week in school launching our new themes. Year 3 and 4 children are heading out to Samphire Hoe on Tuesday and Wednesday, Year 5 and 6 are visiting Chatham Dock Yard. Our Year 2 classes are excited to be having a special visit from the Hawkinge Mayor and many Year 6 pupils will be taking the Kent Test on Thursday. I am quite sure after a full week at school next week the Reception children will look forward to their weekend.

Thank you to the many people who have completed the Microsoft Forms for both safe use of digital images and the medical form. If you have not completed both of these please can I ask that you do so over the weekend so Miss Campbell can complete the paperwork for all children early on next week? Thank you for your support with this.

As you know our After School Club has opened this week and alongside the opening I have had to make a difficult decision about other children being on the school site after 3:00pm. I have always enjoyed seeing children (and parents) enjoying a play on the field/the adventure playground after school, however to ensure safety of the children who attend After School Club is not compromised I am going to ask that if you do spend time on the playground/field after school that you leave by 3:30pm. I hope that this can offer a compromise and be a good solution moving forwards.

Over the school holidays the school website has been updated. A new policy for attendance has been added to the policy page along with a new form for 'Exceptional Circumstances Request for Absence'. I have not added our Inset days – they will be on 4th November, 24th February & 20th June.

On the reverse of this newsletter is the Curriculum Overview for your child this term.

Have a lovely weekend!