

Bredhurst Church Of England Primary School



Parents As Partners

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Church of England Vision for Education

Deeply Christian, Serving the Common Good.

John 10:10 "I came that you might have life, life in all its fullness".

Bredhurst Church of England Primary Vision:

To learn and grow through the guidance and love of God.

Self Control

Perseverance

Inclusion

Respect

Inspiration

Trust



Dear Parents and Carers,

We have now reached the end of Term 3, and hopefully the end of the cold weather. It will be lovely returning to school knowing Spring is on it's way.

The children have continued to work hard throughout this term on their learning. Fir Tree and Forge class will be starting new topics next term. Fir Tree class's new topic will be 'Digging for Dinosaurs.' They will be learning about how a palaeontologist discovers fossils. They will find out where dinosaurs lived and what led them to become extinct, as well as considering the impact they had on the world. They will be sculpting their favourite dinosaurs using clay and papier-mâché and making homes for them to live in.

Forge class will be beginning their new topic 'Land Ahoy!' with an immersive visit to Chatham Dockyard, where they will get to explore some of the amazing ships docked there and get to meet some pirates! They will learn about some famous pirates through their English work and discover what life as a pirate may have been like.

Hurstwood, Kemsley and Oakwood classes will continue with their current topics, enabling them to embed and build upon their knowledge so far.

Thank you to all the parents who attended the parents evenings on Tuesday and Wednesday of this week. We will be using the results from the parents surveys to help us to build in the workshops you would like us to hold and other opportunities for you to be able to come into school to support your child on their learning journey. The most popular workshops were Maths and 'What does expected look like?' The shared activity with your child was the most popular with almost 3/4 of parents selecting this. We will be planning activities for Term 5 for each class—at separate times. The most popular times were 9am-10am and 5pm-6pm. We aim to hold our first workshop next term, so watch this space!

As a school we have recently updated our Relationship and Health Education policy. This can be found on our website policy page. Please have a look and contact us if you have any comments regarding the content of our Relationship and Health Curriculum. We call this Life Skills as within these lessons we teach the children the skills needed for them to flourish. We welcome all feedback as this helps us to teach a curriculum which meets the needs of our children.

A group of 8 children from years 5/6 attended the table tennis Mini Youth Games yesterday, I am very proud to share with you the lovely news that they were the winners of the Fair Play Award. This award is voted by all the schools who attend. Our children were incredibly well behaved, showed excellent manners and sportsmanship throughout the day. They were an absolute credit to the school. They finished in 18th position, which they were a little disappointed by, but they all played to the best of their abilities and all enjoyed the opportunity. We now have a 'Fair Play' trophy in our trophy cabinet.

Our KS2 football team suffered a very disappointing defeat on Monday, losing 9-0, knocking us out of the cup. I am proud of everyone of them however as despite the bitter disappointment they held themselves high and persevered to the end of the match. Every child who played should feel proud of themselves for the determination and resilience they showed, they supported each other and all tried their best. The other team on this occasion were simply better and was also made up of all year 6 children, who were older and physically bigger players, which does also make a difference.

Thank you to Oakwood class for beginning our Safer Internet Day with their class led worship, in which they reminded us what a wonderful world the internet can be, but also reminded the children that they can and should report any thing which makes them feel unsafe whilst on -line. They reinforced the message of talking to parents about their online life. The following link will take you to the Safer Internet 2023 home page where you will find practical tips and support in how to keep your child safe online and advice on how to have difficult conversations. [About Safer Internet Day 2023 - UK Safer Internet Centre](#)

This week was also children's mental health week, we started the week reminding the children of FRED: Food, Rest, Exercise and Devices as well as the type of activities the children can do to help their mental health.

The winning house this term is St David's, therefore all children in St David's house can come to school on Friday 24th wearing their house colours: Yellow—Well Done St David's

Lateness—is quite a concern as we have a **few** children who are **regularly late!** This has an impact on the whole class as well as the child's learning. The school day starts at **8.55a.m. NOT 9a.m.** After 9.10a.m. children are marked with a U code which means 'late after registration', this is picked up by the DFE and logged against the child's name. Please leave a few minutes earlier so that your child is not late.

Our trip to Rochester Cathedral will be taking place on 14th March, we have been invited to see the magnificent art display of 'Peace Doves'.

The children have all made a 'peace doves' and we have a fantastic display hanging in the hall.



Reminders:

- Don't forget clubs start again on the first day back at school (Monday 20th February)
- Pancake races on Tuesday 21st February. New parents: your child will need to come into school with a frying pan and a pancake ready to take part in the race against other children in their year group! Parents you will need to arrive from approx. 2.30pm to cheer the children on in their races, we aim to start these at about 2.45pm.

I hope you all have a restful Easter term ahead!

MYG Table Tennis Team

break ready for the busy

Michelle Cox



KS2 Football Team v Kings Hill





Stars of the Week

Fir Tree	Callum Williams
Forge	Archie Axton
Hurstwood	Dominic Carr
Kemsley	Austin Humphries
Oakwood	Lucas Knowles



Writer of the Week

Fir Tree	Teddie Debona
Forge	Amelia Cooper
Hurstwood	Ava Hands
Kemsley	Luke Wallace
Oakwood	Isaac Jackson



Spirit of Bredhurst

Fir Tree	Frankie Standen
Forge	Oscar Fleming
Hurstwood	Elliott Shepherd
Kemsley	Alba-Lily Peters
Oakwood	The Table Tennis Team



February

21st Pancake Races @ 2.30p.m. parents invited to watch.

24th St David's Tag Day

March

1st St David's Day (Tag Day)

1st Cross Country—St Mary's Island

2nd Oakwood Trip Maidstone Mosque

8th Cross Country—Medway Park

10th Bredhurst Got Talent

14th Whole School to Rochester Cathedral

17th

17th FOBS Mother's Day Gift Sale

27th Rocksteady Concert @ 2.30p.m. parents invited.

29th Yr 6 Experience Easter

30th MYG Tag Rugby Team

31st Easter Egg Hunt 2.30p.m. parents invited to join us.

April

3rd -14th Easter Holidays

27th MYG Netball Team Rainham Girls School

May

8th Bank Holiday

9th—11th KS2 SATs Week

20th May Day (All children are expected to attend)

25th MYG Kwik Cricket Team High Halstow

29th—2nd June Half Term

June

8th MYG Football Team Anchorians FC

12th—16th Yr 6 PGL

22nd Sports Day

26th—28th Field Work Week

29th Staff development day

30th Day in lieu of May day

July

4th MYG Athletics Team Medway Park

14th Whole School Trips TBC

17th Rocksteady Concert

19th Leavers Disco

20th Leavers Pool Party

21st Leavers service @11 a.m.

21st Last Day of Term