

Newsletter 26

3rd May 2024

Dear Parents

Year R Hearing & Vision Screening

A reminder that The School Nursing Team will be visiting us next week on Wednesday 8th May to carry out vision and hearing screening for our reception children.

Census Day Dinner

We have a School Census Day on Thursday 16th May. Information from the Census is passed to the DfE and the government uses this data to allocate our funding for the year. Included in the data used is the number of children at our school who receive a school lunch on Census Day, so we would like as many children as possible to have a school lunch. Further information will be sent out separately regarding this.



The Big Walk and Wheel Challenge

Thank you to everyone who walked, wheeled, cycled or scooted to school during the period 11th – 22nd March for the Big Walk and Wheel Challenge. Our figures were submitted to Medway Council who have calculated that our school recorded a 13.63% improvement on the level of active travel recorded last year which is great news.

Year R Zoolab Activity Day

Our reception children will be enjoying a day learning about different insects, reptiles and amphibians on Friday 7th June with a visit from Zoolab, who will be bringing various creatures into school with them for the children to learn about. As we hope the children will be able to enjoy a picnic

lunch outside, weather permitting, please ensure you have sent the slip back to order a packed lunch for them if you wish this to be provided by the school.

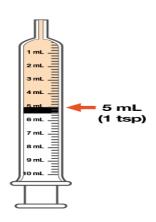
Acceptance of School Places

The deadline for acceptance forms to be submitted for both reception and Year 3 Junior School places is Tuesday 14th May. If you have a child joining us in reception in September or a child in Year 2 who will be moving to the Junior School, please ensure your acceptance form is submitted by this date.



Medication in School

If your child needs to take medicine during the school day for any reason, please come into school to administer this yourself whenever possible. If you are unable to do so and need the school to give medicine to your child, we have a strict policy on managing medication in school which can be found on our website. Please ensure you are familiar with the procedure that must be followed.



Can I please remind you that if your child is absent from school due to illness, it is your statutory duty to inform the school office on the first morning of absence. This can be done via email, or a telephone call. We have an answer phone service for calls that are made before our switchboard opens at 8.30a.m. If you leave us a message please ensure that you state your child's name and class. Thank you.

Employment Opportunities

We will shortly be advertising for an Attendance and Data School Administration Assistant and also a School Business Assistant. If you or anyone you know may be interested in either of these position, you will find further information and how to apply on the jobsgopublic website soon.



Top Attenders

Congratulations to Shell Class and Owl Class who were our joint top attenders last week with 98% of pupils attending school every day in both classes. Well done to Shells and Owls!



<u>Remember</u> – Monday 6th May 2024 is a Bank Holiday and school is closed.

Kind regards.

Ms D Atkinson Headteacher