



### Headteacher's Message

So another term has begun - our last for this academic year. As always, the Summer term will be packed full of learning and fun for the children. We have a number of trips and experiences planned for every year group which I know they will enjoy. Our wonderful PA are also working hard in the background to organise cinema nights and, of course, the Summer fete near the end of the year. All this, and hopefully some sunny days for the children to enjoy as well.

#### Dance Workshop

This week all Nursery children took part in a Space themed dance workshop with Ella. They all worked really hard and produced an amazing dance together.



Next week, Reception and Year 1 children will be taking part and Year 2 at the end of May. Thank you all for your contributions towards the cost of this workshop.

#### Reception Trip

Reception will be going on a trip to the Postal Museum on 17th May. They will be travelling to London by coach. Thank you again to those parents who will be accompanying them.



#### Zig Zags

Please be reminded that there should be **no parking** on the zig zags outside school, or over our neighbours drives. Thank you.



#### Year 1 Trip

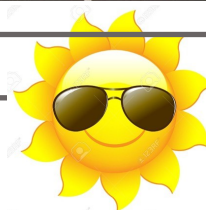
This week our year 1 children went on a school trip to Kent Life. They all had a wonderful day. Thank you to our parents who helped on the day.



#### Packed Lunches

If your child has a packed lunch at school, please note that chocolate bars should not be included. (Small chocolate biscuits such as a Club/Penguin is fine)

We have several children with severe nut allergies so please do not send any nuts into school.



As the weather is now starting to get warmer, please can you ensure that your child brings a water bottle with them each day. Please also apply sun cream in the morning. Children can bring in a sun hat to wear at playtimes.



#### School Photographer

A date for your diary -

On Friday 17th June our school photographer will be coming in to take class photos and a year 2 leavers photo. Please ensure correct uniform is worn.



### Attendance

A significant proportion of our students have an attendance rate of around 90%. Many believe this to be acceptable, but what does it really mean for our students?

A student with a 90% attendance record is absent from lessons for the equivalent of **one half-day every week**.

A student with a 90% attendance rate misses the equivalent of **four whole weeks** of lessons in one school year.

A child who misses school just twice per month will lose out on 18 days' education across the school year – that's nearly four weeks.

### Absence

Just a reminder, when reporting your child's absence from school please ensure you leave a detailed reason for their absence. Thank you.



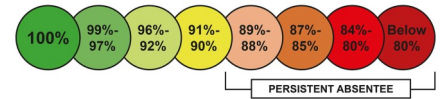
**Our current school attendance is 94.18%**

### Term Time Absence

Children have missed so much schooling during the pandemic over the last 2 years, both academically and socially. We understand that a lot of holidays have been put back and delayed however, please avoid booking any holidays during term time. It is very important that all children are in school with the exception of illness or exceptional circumstances.

### **ATTENDANCE MATTERS**

On Time: First Time, Every Time



**Which CIRCLE are you in?**

## Attendance Matters

Who can reach the top of the Chatsworth squirrel?



100% Perfection

98% Impressive

4 Days off each year

96% GOOD

7 Days off school each year

95% Nearly There

9 Days off each year

94% Needs Improvement

11 Days off each year

90% Concerns

1 MONTH off each year

88% SERIOUS Concerns

2 MONTHS off each year

Who can reach the top?

