



# NEWSLETTER NO.1 AUTUMN TERM - 9 SEP 2011

*It is lovely to welcome you all back as we begin this new academic year. The children look very smart in the uniforms and have enjoyed an enthusiastic start to the term!*

## THE WEEK AHEAD

## \*\* ALL CLUBS START THIS WEEK \*\*

Saturday 10 <sup>th</sup>	11+ Practice Session	
Sunday 11 <sup>th</sup>		
Monday 12 <sup>th</sup>	Assembly Meet the Teacher Y1-6	8.55am 9.00-9.20am
Tuesday 13 <sup>th</sup>	Swimming – Years 5 & 6	8.45 @ Mayfield
Wednesday 14 <sup>th</sup>	Meet the Teacher <i>Nursery</i> Whole School Mass – <i>All welcome</i> Meet the Teacher <i>R-Y6</i>	8.45am 9.00am 7.30-8.00pm
Thursday 15 <sup>th</sup>	Parent & Toddler Morning	9.00-10.15am
Friday 16 <sup>th</sup>	Awards Assembly Meet the Teacher - Reception	8.55am 8.55am

## GOOD STUDENT BADGES

RECEPTION	Harry Disbray	For always trying his best in all that he does
YEAR 1	Adam Howard	For his lovely smiley start to the day!
YEAR 2	Annabella Curcher	For coping very well with her broken wrist!
YEAR 3	James Constantine	For being very helpful
YEAR 4	Max Sanday	For an all round fantastic week
YEAR 5	Luke Willis	For a brilliant piece of writing
YEAR 6	Chiara Vidal	For always working hard and listening well

## CONGRATULATIONS TO:

### Music Exams – Summer Term

- Henry Trippett who passed his ABRSM Grade 1 Piano
- Elizabeth Trippett who passed her ABRSM Grade 2 Violin
- Louis Griffiths who passed with merit his ABRSM Grade 2 Piano and also passed with distinction his ABRSM Grade 1 Flute (both exams were taken on the same day!)
- Stanley Russell who passed with merit his ABRSM Grade 1 Piano

### Swimming

- Adam and Olivia Howard who achieved their Stage 1 ASA National Plan Award in swimming
- Isabelle Brattle who has achieved Gold in the ASA Swimming Challenge Award
- Dexter Little who has achieved his 25m ASA Rainbow Swimming Award
- Cory Little who successfully completed Grade 2 of the ASA Duckling Award

Caroline Cardozo who achieve Stage 1 of the RYA Young Sailing Scheme

Sam Martin-Young who has been awarded a Judo Proficiency Certificate 3<sup>rd</sup> To-Kyu and a further certificate for successfully achieving Water Skills in the ASA swimming awards scheme

Emilie Wilson who received a Certificate for completing the Circus Stars Summer Reading Challenge

Lilrose Hancock who also received a Certificate for completing the Reading Challenge

Olivia Boylan who was appointed Head of Choir with Ellie Knight as Deputy

Louis Griffiths who was appointed Head of Orchestra with Fenella Rose as Deputy

Fenella Rose, Captain of Netball with Ellie Knight and Chiara Vidal as Vice Captains

## WELCOME

To our new pupils and their families – Georgia in Nursery; Kacie, Phoebe, Rafferty, Aaron, Oscar and Ivy in Reception; Sophie in Year 3; Coral, Alfie, Rafael and Harvey in Year 4; Jenny, Millie, Connor and Fraser in Year 5 and finally Hermione and Jennifer in Year 6. We hope this is the start of a happy and successful time as part of the school community.

## KENT 11+

Thinking of our candidates who have their practice session tomorrow and the actual exams next Saturday!

## **SWIMMING**

Swimming starts next Tuesday for Year 5 and 6 pupils. (Apologies if the day change is inconvenient, this is due to a timetable change at St Leonards-Mayfield). All children must wear hats which are available from the School Shop. Plain navy swimming costumes for girls and trunks or close fitting swim shorts for boys are available from Simmonds and other good sport shops. Please note these do not bear our school logo.

## **LET'S GROW VOUCHERS**

We have registered with the Morrison's Let's Grow Campaign running until 31 October. Please bring in your vouchers which we can exchange for gardening equipment, including seeds, for use in Nature Club and Science lessons.

## **PARISH QUIZ NIGHT**

The Parish is holding a quiz night on Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> September at the Commemoration Hall. Please put the date in your diary and perhaps try to organise a table! More information and tickets available soon.

## **OPEN MORNINGS**

Bethany School - Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> September from 10am to 1.00pm

Beechwood Sacred Heart – Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> October & Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> March 2012 from 9.30 to 1.00pm

Worth School – Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> September & Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> October from 9.45 to 12.30pm

## **GIVE BLOOD**

Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> September 1.30 to 4.30pm and 7.30 to 7.30pm at All Saints Hall, Church Road, Crowborough.

## **REMINDERS**

### • **Drop off arrangements**

8.00 - 8.15am – Supervision in Year 2, *additional fee*

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8.30 - 8.45am – Pupils may go straight to their classrooms

8.45 - Registration

Now that the first week is over we ask for your help in achieving a smooth and punctual start to the morning. Parents are welcome to accompany pupils in Nursery and Reception into class. During this year we encourage Year 1 pupils to become independent about coming into class. From Year 2 upwards please say goodbye at the front door of the school and allow your child to come in independently. Please do not go to classrooms other than Year 2 before 8.30am as teachers will not be there to supervise or may be involved in a private meeting.

Thank you for your support in this matter.

Do not forget that we have 'open classrooms' on Friday mornings between 8.30 and 8.45am to give you the opportunity to view your own child's work and the displays. This is not an appropriate time to discuss your child's progress with the teacher, so if you need an appointment please arrange through the office. Teachers are usually able to take a brief message at 8.30am if necessary; after school is usually more convenient.

### • **Clubs**

If your child is staying on after school for a club please send them with a small snack.

### • **Snacks**

A reminder that children are encouraged to bring a snack for mid-morning break. Chocolate and sweets are not allowed and crisps should be an infrequent treat. Please remember that we have a pupil who has a serious peanut allergy, therefore we must request that peanut products are avoided completely.

### • **Invitations**

Please do not send invitations etc into the classroom to be distributed as it can cause unintentional offence when some children feel they have been left out.

### • **Bags**

Pupils need a string bag and a blue cloth bag, both available from the school shop, for their PE kit and playclothes. All pupils from Nursery to Year 6 require a book bag. All bags should be clearly labelled on the outside. We do not have room to accommodate large rucksacks and there should not be a need for them. On days when pupils require extra kit for football or rugby please send it in for the day in a small bag. If you have arranged a sleepover please try to exchange overnight bags etc in the morning, rather than sending small suitcases in to school for the day. Your assistance is greatly appreciated.

### • **Nail Varnish**

Nail varnish may not be worn

### • **Hockey**

Year 5 and 6 will need shin pads and gumshield w/c 19<sup>th</sup> September. Hockey boots not required.