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Term 4 Week 1

March 2019



Dear Parents/Carers,

Do you remember 'Nitty Nora'? I am sure that there are many of us who will recall standing in line and having our hair checked by the visiting nit nurse.

Times; maybe sadly so, have changed and the authority do not allocate provision of this kind. The responsibility for monitoring pupils health needs is firmly placed in the laps of parents. Indeed, in order for us to keep pupils well; and nit free, it is important to regularly check them and also maintain good habits.

There are lots of websites including healthychildren.org that have lots of simple advice to support families in identifying and treating head lice; as well as advice on a multitude of other issues.

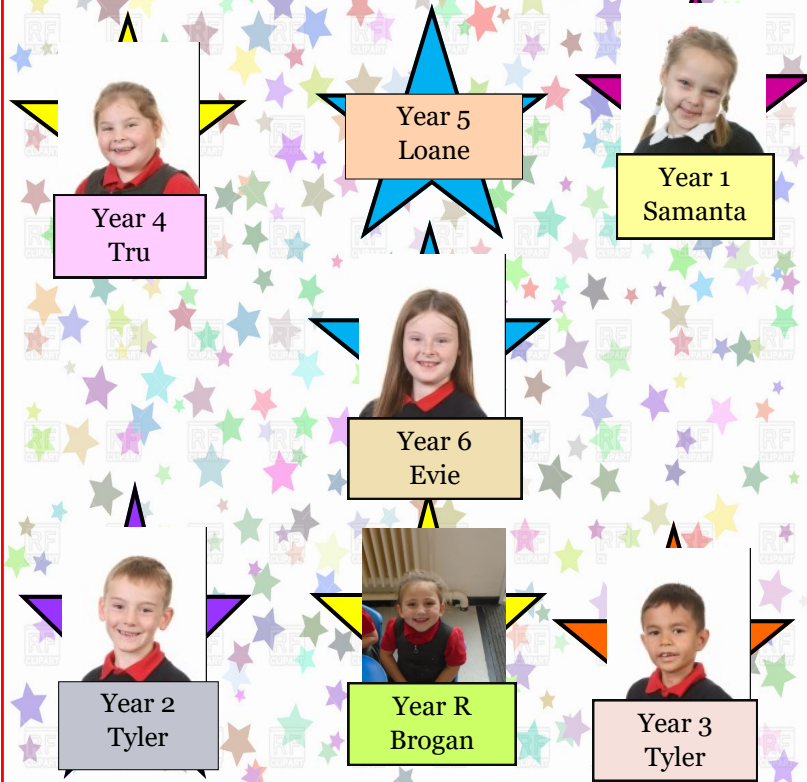
Prevention is often better than cure and, most certainly, cheaper. However, if you do notice these little critters, please let the school know so that we can then warn other families.

I'm itching now!

Mr Westmorland

Well done to our Stars this week!

These children have impressed their class teachers in some way during this week, well done to all of them!



Punctuality Pup and Attendance Ted!



With 99.1% attendance this week, Year 2 will be looking after **Ted**—
Well done Rosen!



Pup will go to Year 5 this week with the least amount of late marks— **Well done Shakespeare!**

~Most Improved Writers~

Year R- Rylée

Year 1- Ashleigh

Year 2- Grace H

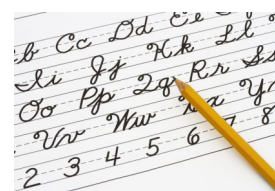
Year 3- Keira

Year 4- Jesse

Year 5- Dagen

Year 6- Khanye

Well Done!



Attendance

A noticeable improvement from the last week of term, with four classes in green!

Rosen 99.1%	Carle 95.3%
Browne 97.9%	Shakespeare 95.5%
Donaldson 92.7%	Strong 90.8%
Lewis 90.9%	



Child Absent?

Day 1	Parent/carer duty to call school as soon as possible if child will be absent that day.
Day 2	Parent/carer duty to call school as soon as possible if child will be absent that day and any consecutive days.
Day 3	Parent to provide medical evidence of illness. This may include doctors appointment card, pharmacy receipt or prescription evidence. If no evidence is provided, it may result in unauthorised absence.

95-100% GOOD— Best chance of success, gets your child off to a flying start.

90-85% WORRYING— Less chance of success, makes it harder for your child to progress.

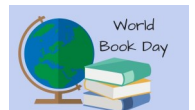
80-75% SERIOUS CONCERN— Your child will fall behind in their work and they will miss out on learning time, making it much harder for them to reach their full potential.

Reminders

- Year 1 trip to Port Lympne on Wednesday 6th March.
- Drop in Reading Cafe for parents and children will be on Wednesday 6th March at 2:15-3:45pm. This will take place in the community room to share books and support children with their reading.
- World Book Day costume parade at 9:00am after registration in the playground on Friday 8th March.
- M&M Productions will perform Charlotte's Web to the whole school on Monday 11th March.
- There will be a Makaton taster session at The Beacon on Saturday 9th March at 4:00-6:00pm. This will be for those interested in finding out about Makaton signs and symbols. It will cost £5 per person.

World Book Day

World Book Day will be on Friday 8th March and the children will have the opportunity to dress up as a character linked to their class author, or from their favourite book. There will be a parade in the playground at 9:00am for children to show off their costumes, all parents are welcome to come along and watch. There will be activities throughout the day linked to characters from their class author books and the school Librarians will be running competitions linked to authors and books.



SHEPWAY AUTISM SUPPORT GROUP MONTHLY COFFEE MORNING

For parents and carers of children / young people on the autism spectrum. Come along for a coffee and a chat with other parents. All welcome, whether you have a child with a diagnosis, are waiting for a diagnosis or just want to learn more about autistic spectrum condition. This will be on Monday 4th March at 10:00am-12:00pm in the conference room at the Beacon with Wendy Boorman from Kent Autistic Trust. Any questions, please ring 07773708321.



Operation Encompass

Dear Parent/Carer,

I am writing to inform you that the school will be taking part in a jointly run operation between Kent Police and our school, which is known as Operation Encompass.

Operation Encompass has been set-up to help schools to provide support to children who have been present, or exposed to or involved in any domestic abuse incident. We know that children can be significantly physically or emotionally harmed when they witness or are involved, directly or indirectly, with any domestic abuse incident.

The school will receive a confidential email from Kent Police before 12 noon the morning after a child or young person has exposed to, or involved in, any domestic incident.

At Mundella Primary School we have designated Headteacher Mr Westmorland and Deputy Head Mrs Wharmby. They have been trained to allow them to use the information that has been shared, in confidence, while ensuring that the school is able to make provision for the right support to be available for any child and their family.

We are always keen to offer the best support possible to all our pupils and we believe this will be extremely beneficial for all those involved.

If you have any concerns or questions then please contact me and I will be happy to discuss this further.

A handwritten signature in brown ink, appearing to read 'Mr Westmorland', with a large, stylized flourish at the end.

Head Teacher