



# THANET NEWS

Dear Parents and Carers,

Both of our merit assemblies showcased some fantastic learning across the school this week and also celebrated children who have shown a great attitude to their learning. At Thanet we work hard on teaching children to have good attitudes to learning and always celebrate children who put effort into being the best that they can be. Having a growth mind-set of 'I can do it!' and knowing that effort and hard work lead to success are vital life skills.



Two important reminders please:

- 1) Since we've now been back at school for three weeks can we kindly ask that **all earrings are removed** before school. Our school dress code does not allow for the wearing of earrings due to safety.
- 2) Bikes and scooters **should not be ridden** until off the school premises, whether this is before or after school.



With recent changes to Universal Credit, we are also asking please that if you haven't already filled in forms to register for free school meals that you pop into the office and we can help you complete the form if necessary.

Thank you for your continued support,  
Mrs J Machon and the Thanet Staff

ATTENDANCE WC: 17.9.18

Attendance is one of the areas that we need to improve.

We are aiming for at least 96%

Whole school- 96.3%

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- RJE 92.7%
- RAS- 95.8%
- 1RE- 98%
- 1HM- 94%
- 2RR- 89.5%
- 2AS- 98.3%
- 3KH- 95.6%
- 3JF- 96%
- 4NS- 95.8%
- 4DI- 100%
- 5LF- 97.9%
- 5JN- 99.2%
- 6CF- 98.1%
- 6JS- 95.7%



Sessions missed WC: 17.9.18

92 - due to illness

41 - un-authorized (no reason provided)

13 - medical appointments (in school time)

25 - late (before 9.25am)

1 - late (after 9.25am-register closed)

30 - due to holidays taken during term-time

I don't have this info from Mandy—is it always on??



**DIARY DATES:**

Harvest Festival—11th October

Nursery - Y6 Parent Consultations—15th and 17th October

Stay and Read—23rd October

School closes for half-term—Friday 26th October

### Kids Club

We are very fortunate to be able to provide a great after-school service to our families led by Ms Clark. Thanet's Kids Club runs from 3.15 pm, straight after school, in the KS1 Hall. Children are either collected from class and go there together or go straight from their classroom after school depending on their age. After school care is available until the club closes at 5.45 pm. There is always a wide variety of activities planned which change regularly to meet the needs and interests of the children.

Sessions cost £5 each and need to be booked in advance through our school office. It is always best to book in advance but children can be accommodated on the day dependant on numbers as we have a maximum number that can be admitted.

In addition to having time to play, relax and enjoy Kids Club, the children get something to eat and a drink. If you have any further questions don't hesitate to ask at the office.



### Arts Mark

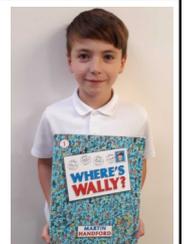
We are delighted to announce that the school has been awarded the Silver Arts Mark! Arts Council England celebrates ongoing commitment to arts and cultural education and it is wonderful that all of our hard work to create a balanced and engaging curriculum celebrating The Arts has been recognised.

It has been a long journey to achieve the award, which was led by Miss Harrison (our previous Reception teacher) with Mrs Shortman's support. Thanks to the hard work of all of the staff in the school to plan lessons (both in and out of school) to cover all of the arts, including music and drama as well as wide-ranging art lessons, we built up a large portfolio of evidence. Even though we now have the award, our commitment to providing a broad and balanced curriculum remains—next stop the Gold Award!



### KS2 Reader of the Week

In response to the children's request, the weekly reading prizes have been revamped in KS2. This week's winner of a voucher is Jayden. Well done to all of you who read every night for the week AND had your reading record signed. There were lots of children in the golden pot but there can only be one lucky winner each week. Every minute spent reading is a minute spent learning!



### A New Baby!

Congratulations to Mrs Dunn, who worked in our reception class, and her husband on the safe arrival of their little girl. Ella Faye arrived safely on Thursday and we wish them all the very best as they become a family.

