

## **Overheard at The Orchard** ~Parent Governor Vacancy & Internet Safety~













Have your say! We have a Parent Governor Vacancy:

We are recruiting for a Parent School Governor to join our governing body and would warmly welcome parent/ carers to apply.

The role of the governing body provides support in the running of the school from setting achievement targets to managing the school's finances. The governors play a crucial part in the conduct of the school to support the school's community.

To be considered for the role you need to be eighteen years old or over and do not require any formal qualifications. An effective governing body has people with a variety of skills and from a variety of backgrounds. Key skills of a good parent governor would ideally be:

- Common sense
- Ability to work in a team
- An interest in education and commitment to the school ٠
- Patience, energy, enthusiasm and spare time
- A willingness to listen, learn and spend time in school and undertake training to support you in the role

Parent/ carer governors will be elected by other parent/ carers of pupils who attend the school and your child must be attending the school during the time of these elections. You may continue in your role as parent governor until the end of their term or until your child leaves the school. We have enclosed a copy of the application form for you to complete should you wish to apply.

For a more detailed look at the role of the parent governor please visit:

http://www.kent.gov.uk/leisure-and-community/volunteering/school-governors/become-a-school-governor

#### **Internet Safety:**

Please continue to ensure your child is safe online this summer. With an increasing number of us using mobile devices to access things online it is always worth ensuring you are up-to-date with the latest advice and guidance to ensure your young person and yourselves are safe whilst using the internet.

You can find some of the most recent advice and guidance on https://www.internetmatters.org/ or visit our website and go to paren links tab to access this site. On Internet Matters, you can get some handy hints and tips on how to ensure safety online whilst providing you with the lasts findings.

The internet offers a wealth of information and can be great fun, so lets teach our young people to use it wisely.

While three-quarters (76%) of secondary school children are using a smartphone regularly at home, just over a quarter (29%) use their phone at school\*



## 1 in 3 children

3 out of 10

(30%)

secondary school pupils

admit that they regret things

that they have said online<sup>†</sup>

hide websites they've been visiting from parents while 1 in 5 change the social media safety settings enforced by their parents\*

#### **Online safety's never** been so important.

That's why we've got information, advice and support on everything that matters when it comes to children's Internet safety. Showing you what to do, and where to go for help.

\*\* Conducted by Childwise on behalf of Internet Matters Online survey of 1,001 parents of children aged 7-17 201. Source: Techknowledge research 2015



Learn about it/talk about it/deal with it

May I take this opportunity to wish you all a wonderful, relaxing and happy summer break and we all look forward to seeing you in September to embark on our next exciting and prosperous academic year.

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### **Message from the Headteacher**

In spite of the recent spell of balmy weather, we have had a wonderful term, enriched with our usual variety of exciting and diverse activities.

We have continued to offer fabulous sporting events for our pupils and most recently our Enterprise group have organised our fantastic Summer Fair. Under the wonderful direction of Miss Aylen, the pupils have managed to raise over £500 inviting over 75 guests into the school. This is the first time in many years that we have hosted such a fantastic event and it has demonstrated the wonderful links we have within our local community and parents and Carers. Everyone attending boasted of its success and I have assured everyone that this will now become and annual event. Hopefully we can raise even more money next year, which we hope we can add to our savings this year to finish our sensory garden for all the children to enjoy.

We have so much to be proud of having reached the finishing line of this year. The hard work of all staff and pupils is showing what a strong and effective community we are at The Orchard. We hope to take this opportunity to build support for the school through recruiting parents or Carers to join our Governing body as Parent Governors. This is a role that requires limited commitment and will secure opportunities to drive change and further progress for our wonderful school and its pupils. Please read the details included with your child's report if you consider you may be able to join the Governing Body and do not hesitate to contact me if have any questions about the role.

#### **Student Council Update:**

Term 6 begun with the nominations for the Student Council and pupils were keen to represent the school. The following students were elected and this was recognised in the whole school assembly in the first week of term:

Primary

**Community Leader: Levie S** 

Learning Leader: Riley W

Sport Leader: Matthew B

**Community Leader: Liam K** 

Learning Leader: Will T

Sport Leader: Adam W

**Community Leader: Josh K** 

Learning Leader: Cameron N

Sport Leader: Lee B

Sport





Community

The Pastoral Support Officers initially met with the Student Council Leaders on the 8thJune to congratulate them and discuss the agenda that all of the classes would be presented with. The whole school then had the opportunity to put forward their ideas.

The second meeting with the Pastoral Support Officers and the Student Council Leaders was 'brainstorming' and collating the minutes that were produced by each class throughout the school. All selected ideas have been presented to Mrs Lilley who has shared and discussed with the Senior Leadership Team at the weekly meetings.

Each student councillor had been issued with a badge in recognition or their new roles and will be awarded with a certificate and a £5 gift card for their contribution to the school.









The Orchard School **Term 6, July 2018** 



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www.orchard-school.com



## **Overheard at The Orchard** ~Primary ~





## **Update from Primary**



Our primary pupils have had an incredibly active and busy term which has included a trip to Wildwood, during Enrichment week. At Wildwood the children and staff had the opportunity to see and interact with the animals and play in the park. The drop-slide was a huge hit!

Other activities our primary pupils have been involved in this term are: a movie morning where we ate lots of popcorn; a jumptastic trip to Flipout which ensured our children bounced off some energy at great heights. We have also enjoyed taking part in lots of Sporting events this term for our Sport topic. This included a rugby and cricket tournament and we've been having golf lessons at Boughton golf!







## **Overheard at The Orchard** ~For your information ~



Term 1





### **The Orchard School** Term Dates 2018 - 2019

Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> September 2018 Term 1 Starts: Friday 19<sup>th</sup> October 2018 Term 1 Ends: Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> & Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> September 2018 Inset Days: NO CHILDREN IN SCHOOL 20<sup>th</sup> October 2018 – 29<sup>th</sup> October 2018 Holiday: Term 2 Monday 29<sup>th</sup> October 2018 Term 2 Starts: Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> December 2018 Term 2 Ends: Monday 29<sup>th</sup> October 2018 - NO CHILDREN IN SCHOOL Inset Day: 20<sup>th</sup> December 2018 – 3<sup>rd</sup> January 2019 Holiday: Term 3 Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> January 2019 Term 3 Starts: Friday 15<sup>th</sup> February 2019 Term 3 Ends: 16<sup>th</sup> February 2019 – 24<sup>th</sup> February 2019 Holiday: Term 4 Monday 25<sup>th</sup> February 2019 Term 4 Starts: Friday 5<sup>th</sup> April 2019 Term 4 Ends: 6<sup>th</sup> April 2019 – 22<sup>nd</sup> April 2019 **Holiday:** Term 5 Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> April 2019 Term 5 Starts: Friday 24<sup>th</sup> May 2019 Term 5 Ends: Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> Ápril 2019 Staff Inset Day: 25<sup>h</sup> May 2019 – 2<sup>nd</sup> June 2019 Holiday: Term 6

Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> June 2019 Term 6 Starts: Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> July 2019 Term 6 Ends: Inset Day: Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> July 2019—NO CHILDREN IN SCHOOL

Had your child missed their school vaccination?

Girls in school years 8 and 9: HPV vaccination (vaccination to protect against the Human Papilloma Virus and cervical cancer.

Boys and girls in years 9 and 10: Meningitis ACWY, Diphtheria, Tetanus & Polio.

If your child has missed their vaccination you can make an appointment by calling the immunisation team on 0300 123 5205 at one of the following clinics on set days over the summer break:

Friday 27th July 2018 8.45 to 1pm: Canterbury Health Centre, Room 5, 26 Old Dover Rd, Canterbury CT1 3JH

Monday 30th July 2018 9am to 1pm: Newington Children's Centre, Princess Margaret Avenue, Ramsgate CT12 6HX

Tuesday 31st July 2018 8.45am to 1pm: Briary Children's Centre, Greenhill Rd, Herne Bay CT6 7RS

Monday 6th August 2018 8.30am to 1pm: Green Banks Children's Centre, Westfield Rd, Garlinge CT9 5PA

Tuesday 14th August 2018 8.45am to 1pm: Briary Children's Centre, Greenhill Rd, Herne Bay CT6 7RS

Monday 20th August 2018 8.30am to 1pm: Green Banks Children's Centre, Westfield Rd, Garlinge CT9 5PA

Tuesday 28th August 2018 8.45am to 1pm: Briary Children's Centre, Greenhill Rd, Herne Bay CT6 7RS





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## **Overheard at The Orchard** ~Enrichment & Year 11 Leavers~





### Hands on at Betteshanger:

This term the Friday's Enrichment group had a taste of excavation. Mr Walker took his enrichment group fossil hunting at Betteshanger Country Park. The group were met by an expert who took them to a dig site where the children got stuck in and found plant fossils that date back 335million years and many other items.









### Farewell Year 11:

The 29<sup>th</sup> June marked the last ever day of school for our year 11's – We celebrated with a pastry breakfast and get together to say goodbye to all of the staff, followed by a surprise ride in a disco limo into Whitstable, where they were taken out for lunch.

We are pleased to say that all of them enjoyed their final day and made memories that we are sure will last for a lifetime.

It just leaves us to say goodbye to all of you wonderful Orchard apples and wish you the very best of luck for the future. May you all go on and achieve great things!







## **Overheard at The Orchard** ~PE & Sporting Achievements~







## **Overheard at The Orchard** ~Summer Fair ~

### Summer Fair:

SUMERGEI 2018 saw the first Orchard Summer Fair was a huge success and great fun was had by all. We had a variety of stalls selling a range of products such as cakes, homemade lemonade, bath salts, popcorn, friendship badges, plants and much more. Pupils and their families took part in activities including dressing-up, lucky dips and throwing a wet sponge at staff and other pupils and all together we raised over £500!



Thank you all for your continued support and donations and a very big well done to all pupils and staff for their efforts ensuring the event was a success.



