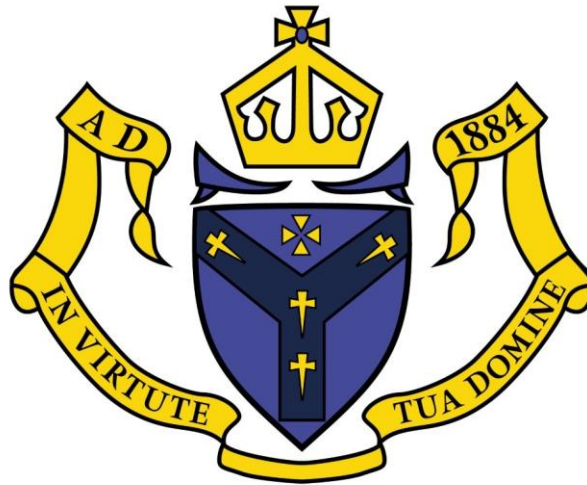


Sissinghurst VA Church of England Primary School



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17th May 2023

Enjoy, Achieve and Celebrate Together in Faith

SCHOOL PRAYER

Dear God,

We ask that you would bless us in our school, give us the strength to learn, to be kind, to be fair and to look after others. We are thankful for all your gifts.

Amen

HEADTEACHER NEWS

I cannot believe it is almost the end of term 5 already. Two Bank Holiday Mondays have speeded this up of course! It is also approaching the end of my first term at Sissinghurst and I would like to start this final newsletter of the term by thanking the whole school community for making me so welcome. What a wonderful school we have at Sissinghurst. Fantastic children of course but what super opportunities we have for them, especially evident this term with so many trips, visitors and lovely things that have happened and that are planned - all adding memories for your children which are such an important part of primary education.

I do hope you are following Twitter to have that 'birds-eye view' of school life. As a parent you often wonder what goes on during the school day and here at Sissinghurst, we do feel this is an excellent way to let you in easily, often seeing in realtime what your children are learning and doing during their 6+hours a day with us. We have over 80 followers now so if you have not done this yet, I cannot recommend it enough. You do not need to have an account or sign up (although if you do you will see when posts are made), but do visit us virtually. We post many tips and local events too each week. A great example of social networking. <https://twitter.com/sissinghurstVA>

Timetabling and curriculum

We are reviewing timetables as we look at the curriculum and this means that some lengths of lessons are changing so we ensure maximum coverage of subjects focusing on breadth and balance across all year groups. One of the things we will be doing is promoting the daily mile as part of our PE offer along with a full PE session each week, longer lessons for art and music and good time also for history and geography, often incorporating writing with these subjects to make links across learning and so children see subjects discretely whilst making links across the curriculum.

Have a wonderful weekend when it gets here.

Sarah Holman

Headteacher



Cranbrook Town Band will be coming in to give a performance on **Friday 9th June**. This will be instead of our Celebration Assembly. All parent's are welcome.

STAFFING CHANGES



We say goodbye this term to Mrs Smith in the office and Miss Lyons one of our TAs. Thankyou both for your contributions to making Sissinghurst such a great school and we wish you the very best in your new ventures.



We welcome Mrs Papagno to our office team, she is starting her handover this week and will work on Tuesdays and Wednesdays from next term.

Current Year 5 11 + Info For September 2023

Y5 pupils - 11+ for September (when children are in Y6) 2023

Please read all information here <https://www.kent.gov.uk/education-and-children/schools/school-places/kent-test#tab-1,3> this year and do speak with Mrs Holman or Mrs Desai if you have any questions about the process. Please note all information needed is on this website and we will not be holding a meeting this year, rather speaking to you individually if you wish to clarify anything with us or of course you can contact Kent Admissions Team for specialist advice.

[Kent Test - Kent County Council](#)

The Kent Test assesses whether grammar school is a suitable option for your child.

www.kent.gov.uk

Registration for the Kent Test for children due to **start secondary school in September 2024** will open on Thursday 1 June 2023 and will close at midnight on Monday 3 July 2023. We cannot accept late registrations.

Assessment is normally done through testing during the autumn term. This year, the tests are due to take place on **Thursday 7 September 2023** for pupils in Kent primary schools.

The assessment results will be sent on Wednesday 18 October 2023 after 4pm.

TERMS 5 & 6



- *May – KS1 SATs taking place*
- 3rd May - Giraffe Class Trip to Sissinghurst
- 5th May - Coronation Picnic/cake competition
- *8th May - BANK HOLIDAY*
- 10th May – Year 6 French Trip Meeting
- 9-12th May – KS2 SATs
- 15th May – Christian Aid week
- 17th May - Leopard Class Fundraising Activity
- 18th May – KS2 Trip to Museum Of Kent Life
- 25th May – Elephant Class Assembly
- 26th May –*LAST DAY OF TERM 5*
- 5th June – *INSET DAY*
- 6th June- Term 6 Begins

- 8th June – Class Photographs
 - 16th June - Summer Flower Show
 - 19th June - Eagle and Leopard Class visit to Maidstone Mosque
 - 23rd June - Giraffe Class visit to Sissinghurst Castle
 - 26th June – Y6 Residential to France
 - Year 6 Homework Transition Week
 - 29th June – Lions Assembly
 - 5th July - New Year R Picnic
 - 7th July – Sports Day (12 July reserve day)
 - **10th July - Giraffe and Elephants Class Trip to the Rare Breeds Centre**
 - 13th July – Class Moving up afternoon
 - 17th July - School Disco and Leavers Event
 - 20th July – Y6 Play 5.30-6.15 and 6.30-7.30pm
 - 21st July -*LAST DAY OF TERM 6* – Y6 Leavers Service and Whole School Picnic.
- *Date in Bold indicate a change from previously shared Dates For The Diary*
 - *More info will follow about events nearer the time, these are an indicator for your diaries*

LOCAL NEWS AND....





Book now via QR code

CALYPSO CRICKET

MARDEN MAY HT CAMP

TUES 30TH MAY – FRI 2ND JUNE
AGES 8-14
ALL ARE WELCOME



WWW.CALYPSOCRICKETCOACHING.COM



Premier May Holiday Camps!

Dear Parent/Guardian,

I am delighted to announce that we are back delivering our Holiday Activities for the May holiday period. We have lots of Holiday provisions on offer during this period and would love to invite your child to attend,

For just £24.99 per day!

Starting this holiday, our camps will now run until 3:30pm as standard, giving your children another 30 minutes of activity.

SAVE a HUGE 30% off your booking using code 'Premier30' at checkout!

Please see below the full list of venues near you along with the booking links for the courses;

Venue:

Available Courses and Booking Link:

Putlands Sports & Leisure Centre, Paddock Wood, TN12 6NZ

Tuesday 30th May- Friday 2nd June

9am-3:30pm

[Putlands Registration Link](#)

St Paul's Infant School, Maidstone, ME14 2BS

Tuesday 30th May- Friday 2nd June

9am-3:30pm

[St Paul's Registration Link](#)

* Please note we are already taking bookings across these venues for the upcoming Summer Holiday Period *

We look forward to seeing you at our camps!

Spring Summer 2023 Sissinghurst/ Frittenden Churches

FRITTENDEN CHURCH TN17 2DD (parking on the road)  **Spring Summer 2023** SISSINGHURST CHURCH TN17 2JL (parking in rear part of The Milkhouse carpark)

DATE	SERVICE	DATE	SERVICE
21 st May	Communion & groups	28 th May	Morning Worship & groups & W ²
Sunday by Sunday @ 10am		4 th June	Trinity Sunday Family Praise
<i>More info on website or call Claire/Pete: 852275</i>		11 th June	Communion & groups
18 th June	Communion & groups	25 th June	Morning Worship & groups & W ²
2 nd July	Family Praise	9 th July	Communion & groups
16 th July	Communion & groups	23 rd July	Morning Worship & groups & W ²
23 rd July	Short visual Bible story, snack, craft & toys	30 th July	United Benefice Morning Worship
31 st July	Bible story with related activities & crafts		
6 th August	Family Praise		
<i>During the rest of August, instead of groups, children's activities + quiet space are provided</i>			
20 th August	Communion & provision	13 th August	Communion & provision
3 rd September	New Term Family Praise	27 th August	Morning Worship & provision

If you're running late, don't worry, just slip in

THE QUEEN'S ALL THEATRE

CINEMA



The Queens Hall Cinema Presents
Lyle, Lyle, Crocodile
Saturday 10th 20th of May at 10:30am
Tickets Only £3 Per Person, Tickets Available from:
WWW.QUEENSHALLTHEATRE.CO.UK

CINEMA



The Queens Hall Cinema Presents
The Goonies
Saturday 10th 20th of June at 2:00pm
Tickets Only £3 Per Person, Tickets Available from:
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CINEMA



The Queens Hall Cinema Presents
Disney's Strange World
Saturday 10th 20th of July at 4:00pm
Tickets Only £3 Per Person, Tickets Available from:
WWW.QUEENSHALLTHEATRE.CO.UK



CHRISTMAS CRACKER!

THE 9th OF DECEMBER
AT 2 PM

WWW.QUEENSHALLTHEATRE.CO.UK

Our last day of term is Friday 26th May.



Enjoy the Half Term break. We will see you all on Tuesday 6th June, to begin Term 6!