

GUSTON CHURCH OF ENGLAND PRIMARY SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER 1st May 2020 (Lockdown 2)





Dear all

Just a little note to say we still miss you and are working hard from our own homes to try and ensure you and your children get the best support during these challenging times.

Keep calm and keep smiling.
P.S. Yes. Mr Wells is in the shed!

Office Unmanned

If you need to contact the school office, please email admin@guston.kent.sch Mrs Surendorff is checking her email from home and will be get back to you as soon as possible.

Thanks for your understanding.

Transition to Secondary School.

While everything continues to be very uncertain at the moment, please know that, behind the scenes, we are exploring different ways to ensure your children are not disadvantaged too much when it comes to transition from Y6 to Y7. We have already liaised with secondary colleagues and they have asked that we reassure you that whilst they all hope that the usual transition arrangements will be able to continue in Term 6 (if slightly adapted to meet the requirements of social distancing) they are planning a range of virtual alternatives. If you have any specific concerns about your child moving up to Y7, please either contact myself, Mrs Tee or Mr Wells. Thank you.

Remote Learning

Thank you to all those that are managing to either download the work set by teachers on a weekly basis or structuring your child's learning in a different way. We appreciate all your efforts.

Please can I ask that you email the class teacher and let them know how you're getting on. There are still a few families that we've not been in contact with by email or phone. With that in mind please can I remind you that if you do get a call from a number and it says "No caller ID" it is likely to be your child's class teacher, so please pick up. Thanks.

Y5 Parents: Kent Test

As many of you will be aware, if your child wishes to attend a grammar school in Y7 they will have to be judged to be eligible. They will do this by taking (and passing) the <u>Kent Test</u> (usually sat in school in September) and the individual grammar school's own test (co-ordinated by the grammar schools themselves). For up to date information on the Kent Test please see www.kent.gov.uk/education-and-children/schools/school-places/kent-test

Currently it states that:

Registrations for the <u>Kent Test</u> will open on 1 June 2020 and close at midnight on 1 July 2020 for children due to start secondary school in September 2021. Parents will be informed closer to the time if any adjustments need to be made to the Kent Test as a result of the recent school closures for the majority of children.

Details from the Grammar school on their own registering procedures will appear on their website nearer the time of registering.

Any queries, please contact me.

The Power of Kindness



Just a reminder, please send in any pictures showing your children's acts of kindness, to their class teachers. I know you're all doing things, it would be lovely to share them with others. We look forward to seeing them.

Thanks

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