

At Dr Walker's School we develop **Respect** and **Responsibility**.

Build **Perseverance** and **Creativity**.

Combine Christian values with **Courage** and **Compassion** for us to become successful British Citizens.



An Exceptional  
Place to Flourish

**21<sup>st</sup> June 2019**

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**Attendance Ted will be in Hedgehogs Class next week - 97.7% - Well Done!**

Please be aware that holidays taken during term time could incur a penalty to parents by the Education Welfare Service. Please see our website for the school's Attendance Policy and a copy of the letter informing parents of the possibility of incurring a penalty by taking holidays during term time. Children who attend 98% and above will receive a text for them and their parents or carers. This is to congratulate them for good learning behaviours that will stay with them for life.

**WHOLE SCHOOL ATTENDANCE IS 95.6%**

**IsingPOP:** What an amazing week! The children really embraced the experience and both performances in the church were a great success. Personally, I couldn't be prouder of the children and the hard work they put in. The messages of forgiveness, gratitude and joy from the songs can really be carried with us all for life and I look forward to receiving my CD to remind myself of those wonderful messages again. Once again can I express my thanks for the amazing support we receive from parents, grandparents and families - thank you!

Below is an email I received from Nichola - our IsingPOP tutor.

*It has been a privilege working with the children this week, they worked so hard and were a real pleasure to teach! I also wanted to say how welcome I felt by all the teaching, kitchen and office staff. You have such enthusiastic, positive, talented staff, happy to join in and made the week such a great experience. Nichola x*



**Celebration assemblies News:** There will be no Celebration assembly on Friday 12<sup>th</sup> July. On the 19<sup>th</sup> there will be a double celebration and this will take place at 9.15am.

**Marathon Finale:** On Friday 19<sup>th</sup> July we look forward to finishing our Marathon! The children are working hard to complete their laps to achieve their goal. Well done children! Parents and families are invited from 2pm to

watch the final laps and see the presentation of medals. Please bring chairs and blankets if you wish. Refreshments will be served from 2.45pm.

**Bank Holiday change May:** There has been a change to the bank holiday date in May 2020. Please see attached updated school calendar.

**Raffle prizes Summer Fair:** Thank you so much for your contributions to the Tombola! If you have any items you would like to donate for any of our raffles we would be very grateful. All new items are welcomed, vouchers, wine, gift sets...thank you for your continued support. Any items can be delivered to the school office.

**EnieMeenieMineyMo:** This local shop on Ongar High street stocks our school uniform! Drop in and have a look.

**Fun run:** It is fast approaching our annual Fun Run day on Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> July. Sponsor forms and letters have been sent home. It will be an interhouse competition and this year there are **3 opportunities** for houses to collect ribbons for the House cup. Most sponsorship money raised by a house will collect 2 ribbons, most laps by each house will collect 2 ribbons for the house cup and best costume 3<sup>rd</sup> (1 ribbon), 2<sup>nd</sup> (2 ribbons) and 1<sup>st</sup> (3 ribbons). As it is a fun run, we are encouraging the children to wear a fancy dress costume with the theme of their house colours or names.

**As a reminder, Romans - Red, Saxons - Yellow, Normans - Green and Vikings - Blue.**

Parents and family are invited from 1.30pm to cheer the children on! Please bring chairs/blankets if you wish to make yourself comfortable for the afternoon. If you would like to help dotting laps or setting up from 12.30pm please let Miss Willis know via the office.

#### Dates for your Diary

- Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> July - Fun Run 1.30pm onwards (parents and carers invited)
- Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> July - School Summer Fair
- Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> July - Sports day (times to be confirmed)
- Friday 12<sup>th</sup> July - No celebration assembly
- Monday 15<sup>th</sup> July at 2pm - KS2 Summer Show performance
- Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> July at 6pm - KS2 Summer Show performance
- Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> July - School Prom (times and details to be confirmed)
- Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> July - School reports will be sent home with reply slip and parent questionnaire
- Friday 19<sup>th</sup> July - Final celebration assembly of the year at 9.15am (no celebration in afternoon)
- Friday 19<sup>th</sup> July - 2pm Marathon Finale - Parents and families welcome to join us at the finish line
- Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> July - Year 6 Leavers service at Church - 2pm (all pupils to be collected from church at 3.10pm) Parents and families welcome to join the service.
- Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> July - 2<sup>nd</sup> choice Sports Day
- Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> July - 11.00am Year 6 leavers Assembly (Year 6 parents/carers only)
- Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> July - 12.00pm Whole school Family picnic (everyone welcome) Children are able to leave at 1.15pm.



## Our New school prayer

It is with pleasure I print the new Dr Walker's school prayer. This has been written with the children's ideas. The parliament and Head boy and Head girl then collated the ideas and put the final version together.



At Dr Walker's school we are all special in our own way.  
We think about each other and don't change our individuality - we respect our differences.  
We worship together and respect each other as a community.  
We are positive, honest and kind.  
We make our own positive choices in all we do to make ourselves and each other happier.  
We use our school values to guide us to do the right thing.  
We are a family.  
Amen