



15<sup>th</sup> March 2021

Dear parent/carer,

Last week I was fortunate enough to be able to walk round the school several times. I am so impressed with how your children have settled back into the routines of school and are working hard in all their lessons.

### **School day timings**

All gates open at 8:30am and pupils must be in school **by 8:50am**.

Year 3 and 4 pick up is 3:05pm

Year 5 and 6 pick up is 3:10pm

It is essential that pupils arrive on time for school and are picked up promptly at the end of the day.

### **Red Nose Day Friday 19<sup>th</sup> March**

On Friday, the school will be taking part in Red Nose day. Pupils are invited to wear non-school uniform and bring in a £1 donation.



### **Easter Egg Raffle**



We are continuing to fundraise for our school library. This half term we are doing an Easter Egg raffle. Please can we ask for donations of eggs. Raffle tickets will be available for pupils to buy (50p) from the week of the 15<sup>th</sup> March. The raffle will take place during the school day on 1<sup>st</sup> April 2021.

## **My Ed App**

Our school will no longer be using text messages as a preferred method of contact.

The most direct way to receive messages from the school will be through the MyEd app.



We're fully committed to using MyEd; it reduces the number of emails you receive and the amount of printing, while still keeping you in touch with what's going on at school, and as an additional bonus – it saves the school money.

For further information please visit: <http://www.myedschoolapp.com/>

The MyEd App is available for both Apple iOS and Android devices and can be found on either the Apple App Store or on Google Play by searching for MyEd.

A demonstration of the setting up of the MyEd parent app is shown here:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Ppk9uNSKJE8>

Once you have installed and opened MyEd, search for your child's name and follow the simple instructions to identify yourself. We would be delighted if you would download the app, and if you do have any concerns or queries, please don't hesitate to contact the school.

## **CCTV at Meon Junior School**

The school has recently had CCTV installed to improve the security of our site. Our CCTV shows us school entrances/exits and the playground.

The legal basis for us to currently using CCTV is to create a safe and secure environment for pupils and staff.

As stated in the CCTV policy, CCTV must only be used for the purposes listed below:

1. To provide a safe and secure environment for pupils, staff and visitors;
2. To assist with behaviour management and to ensure pupils take responsibility for their behaviour;
3. To prevent the loss of or damage to the Trust buildings and/or assets;
4. To assist in the prevention of crime and assist law enforcement agencies in apprehending offenders

This policy can be found at <https://www.tsatrust.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2018/05/CCTV-Policy.pdf>.

It has been identified that showing pupil's CCTV images can be very useful in supporting our restorative approach to behaviour management. Therefore, we have changed our Behaviour for Learning policy to reflect this with the following statement:

*In some circumstances, subject to the Trust's CCTV policy, the School may use CCTV of an incident to help a pupil understand their behaviour and the effects that it has on the wider School community. This will only be used where it is proportionate to do so and in situations where the senior leaders believe that it will be of assistance to the pupil concerned.*

### Parent Prevent Guidance:

Created by the Medway and Kent Prevent team, The [Parent information Prevent toolkit \(PDF, 219.2 KB\)](#) is interactive and has information, links, and resources to help protect children and young people from online hate, extremism, and fake news. It can assist parents and carers to:

- Understand the risks and issues.
- Know where to get help.
- Find resources.
- Develop practical strategies.
- Start conversations.
- Build children and young people's digital resilience.

Warm regards

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Sara Paine". The signature is written in black ink on a light grey rectangular background.

Mrs Sara Paine

Head teacher