



“Inclusion at our Heart”

July 2017

Dear Parents & Carers,

What a fantastic and busy end to the school year it has been! In recent weeks we have seen sports days, parents evenings, our prize-giving assemblies and much, much more. It has been lovely to see the children taking such pride in being part of Garlinge and they have once again behaved superbly and represented themselves and the school with pride. We have also hosted transition events for the children and they are all excited and looking forward to the new year starting in September with their new teachers.

It has also been a momentous time for our outgoing Year 6 pupils, some of whom have been at Garlinge for nearly eight years. I remember clearly many of them starting their time with us in our Nursery and to see how they have progressed and grown in so many ways makes me very proud. The recent Year 6 performance and the Leavers' Assembly were real highlights of the year. I hope that they have enjoyed their time at Garlinge as much as we have having them here and also that they not only go on to even greater successes, but also come back and visit us and say hello.

Finally, I would like to thank sincerely all of our parents, carers and families for the support that they give Garlinge. We know that our successes would not be able to have been achieved without your support and we are grateful for it. I would like to wish you all a very happy and restful summer and I look forward to seeing you back safely with us in September.

J. Williams

Mr J Williams
Headteacher

Sports Events

We have had a fantastic term of sport! Our sports days were a great success and thank you to all who came along to support their children! Our school teams have been in action too and we are especially proud of the performances from our girls' Cricket and Football teams. We also participated in the Kent School Games, winning Gold, and our Year 6 pupils have experienced archery, fencing and street football.



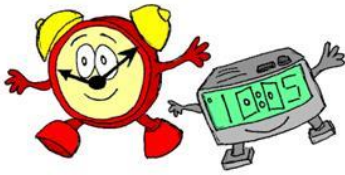
PTFA Summer Fair

On Saturday 24th June the Garlinge PTFA outdid themselves at our Summer Fair! The sun shone and our playgrounds were filled with stalls and activities. It was a great success, and they managed to raise a staggering £1,228.67! Well done to the volunteers and helpers who made it so special!



Every Minute Counts

Every time your child is late to school their progress could drop in ALL subjects!
Please work with us to give your child the best chances of learning by ensuring they are on time every day.

 LATENESS = LOST LEARNING (Figures below are calculated over a school year)	
5 minutes late each day	3 days lost!
10 minutes late each day	6.5 days lost!
15 minutes late each day	10 days lost!
20 minutes late each day	13 days lost!
30 minutes late each day	19 days lost!

Kent Test (11+)

If your child has been entered to sit the Kent Test please note the important dates below.

Key Action	Scheme Date
Test date for pupils in Kent primary schools	Thursday 7th September 2017
Test date for out of county pupils	Saturday 10 September 2017
Assessment decision sent to parents	Thursday 12th October 2017

SEND FORUM: Wednesday 28th June 2017

On Wednesday 28th June, our parents had the fantastic opportunity to attend our SEND Forum and took part in sessions led by Jo Blaimires (Kent Autistic Trust) and Sam Watson (Lighthouse Project – Dare to Differ). Jo shared some of her wealth of knowledge on autism and gave advice to parents on how they can support their children with autism at home and in the community. Jo gave her email: jo@kentakautistic.com and encouraged parents to join her parent email support group. Sam offered great advice on how to support challenging behaviour from your child in the home. He spoke passionately about the need to understand behaviour as a communication, and for parents to work as detectives to try to understand what the child may be communicating with their behaviour.

Our Inclusion Department work extremely hard to ensure our children get the support they need to make excellent progress and we look forward to seeing more parents attend our SEND Forums in the future.



Cleaner Vacancy

We have a vacancy for a cleaner for 11.25 hours per week. The hours are 6.30am to 8.45am, Monday to Friday, 42 weeks per year (term time, INSET days, one week in the Easter break, first and last weeks of the summer break). The pay for this role is set at Kent Range 2 which is approximately £7.50 per hour, or £4,095 per annum pro rata. An application form is available from the School Office or if you need any further information please contact the Facilities Manager, Scott Bosley, on 01843 222553. The closing date for applications is Friday 8 September 2017.

Summer Seashore Safaris

Explore Thanet's chalk rocky shore for its fascinating rockpool wildlife! Identification sheet & equipment is provided and there is help on hand to identify your finds. Wear suitable footwear for rocks & rockpools! All events last for 2 hours and are suitable for ALL the family, but particularly 4-11s. Children must be accompanied by an adult. Suggested donation of £1 per person (adults & children).

- Wed 26 July, 8.30am - Minnis Bay, Birchington(CT7 9QP)
- Thur 27 July, 8.30am - West Bay, Westgate (CT8 8QZ)
- Fri 28 July, 9.30am - St Mildred's Bay (CT8 8TP)
- Sat 29 July, 9am - Eastcliff, Ramsgate (CT11 8DG)
- Sun 30 July, 10am - Western Undercliff, Ramsgate CT11 9PH)
- Fri 11 Aug, 8.30am - Walpole Bay, Cliftonville (CT9 3HF)
- Sat 12 Aug, 9am - Stone Bay, Broadstairs (CT10 1DP)
- Sun 13 Aug, 9.30am - Joss Bay, Broadstairs (CT10 3PG)
- Mon 14 Aug, 10.30am - Botany Bay, Broadstairs (CT10 3LG)
- Tue 15 Aug, 11am - Dumpton Gap, Broadstairs (CT10 1TA)
- Wed 16 Aug, 12pm - Nayland Rock, Margate Main Sands (CT9 1XN)



Further details & public booking online: Opens in July!

Dates for your Diary July 2017

Date	Year Group	Events
Thursday 20 th July 2017		Last Day of Term
Friday 21 st July 2017		INSET DAY
Monday 4 th September 2017		INSET DAY
Tuesday 5 th September 2017		First Day of New Academic Year
Thursday 7 th September 2017	Year 6	Kent Test
Monday 11 th -Monday 25 th September 2017	Year 6	Bikeability Training
Wednesday 13 th September 2017	Year 6	'Help with Secondary School Application' Meeting



Please note that from now on all the messages from Garlinge Primary School and Nursery will be prefixed with GPSN.

Please take the time to either check in your child's book bag each day or visit our website to be informed of any events and/or school news. For all diary dates please visit the [EVENTS PAGE](#) on our website www.garlingeprimary.co.uk.

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School Term and Holiday Dates 2017 – 2018

TERM 1

Monday 4 September	INSET DAY (1)
Tuesday 5 September	Return to school
Friday 20 October	Last day of term

Holiday: Monday 23 October 2017 to Friday 27 October 2017 inclusive

TERM 2

Monday 30 October	Return to school
Wednesday 20 December	Last day of term

Holiday: Thursday 21 December 2017 – Wednesday 3 January 2018 inclusive

TERM 3

Thursday 4 January	Return to school
Friday 9 February	Last day of term

Holiday: Monday 12 February 2018 – Friday 16 February 2018 inclusive

TERM 4

Monday 19 February	Return to school
Thursday 29 March	Last day of term

Holiday: Friday 30 March 2018 to Friday 13 April 2018 inclusive
(Easter Bank Holiday is Friday 30 March & Monday 2 April 2018)

TERM 5

Monday 16 April	INSET DAY (2)
Tuesday 17 April	Return to school
<i>Holiday: Monday 7 May 2018 - May Day Bank Holiday</i>	
Friday 25 May	Last day of term

Holiday: Monday 28 May 2018 to Friday 1 June 2018 inclusive

TERM 6

Monday 4 June	Return to school
Tuesday 24 July	Last day of term

2 INSET days identified
3 INSET days to be identified
(Inset days may be subject to change)